WEATHER.

Fair and warmer Saturday; Sunday probably rain.

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RUTHLESS SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN MUST SOON BE MET WITH FORCE

President Understood to Have a Very Definite Opinion as to What Move to Take

IS UNDECIDED AS TO TIME

Cabinet Discusses the Situation But Announces No New Steps Were Agreed Upon

SHIP PROBLEM GONE OVER

Word From Ambassador Penfield is Anxiously Awaited

Washington, Feb. 16.—The ruthless German submarine campaign and its effects upon the United States were discussed late today by President Wilson and the cabinet. The meeting lasted only an hour, and afterwards it was said no new steps had been decided on.

Arming of American merchantmen and the economic effects of the partial tie-up of shipping out of American ports were the subjects on which the cabinet centered attention. Secretary McAdoo is compiling a list of vessels held in port, and Secretary Redfield is making a comprehensive analysis of the inroads submarines are making on shipping generally.

All Phases Considered.

Consideration is given by the government to all the different phases of the situation that has developed since the break in relations with Germany, including the detention of the Yarrowdale prisoners, the crisis with Austria, the plight of Americans in Turkey and Belgian relief. High officials took pains today, however, to emphasize that the great fundamental problem before the nation is the illegal submarine campaign itself. Against this campaign the United States has made the most vigorous protest possible short of war, but the administration realizes that so long as it permits American ships to be held in port for fear of attack by submarines it in effect is aquiescing in the German policy. The state of affairs, it is admitted, cannot be permitted to continue indefinitely.

What the United States must do to end it, and when, are the only questions. The President is understood to have a very definite opinion as to what should be done, but he has not yet decided that the time to do it has come.

Demand Upon Germany Withheld.

Press dispatches from Berlin announcing that the 72 American seamen brought in by the Yarrowdale had been released caused the demand that the men be freed to be withheld pending official advices on the subject. A cablegram was sent to the Spanish ambassador at Berlin asking whether the report was true. It is not doubted, as it has been assumed from the first that Germany would not hold the men after rumors reaching there of the imprisonment of German sailors in the United States had been cleared up.

Another inquiry was sent to the Spanish abassador to ascertain the cause of delay in the departure of the American train from Munich, which Mr. Gerard previously had reported with 86 consuls and their families and an unknown number of other persons, would leave "some day this week"

An earlier dispatch from the Spanish ambassador said Germany has promised to facilitate the consuls' departure as much as possible. It is understood, however, that for military reasons the Germans insist that the remaining Americans all go out in one trainload, and that there has been delay in concentrating them at Munich. No doubt is felt here that they will arrive at Berne shortly.

England Makes Important Move

Two important moves by Great Britain to meet the submarine menace were announced during the day. A new danger zone was proclaimed, seeking to block practically the whole route of exit towards the Atlantic of the German U-Boats from their bases in Germany and Belgium. With the English Channel practically closed by an elaborate system of nets, mines and patrols, the means of exit for the submarines has been through the route north of Scotland and down the Irish coast. The new danger zone designed to close that way out is understood to have been liberally strewn with mines.

Details of plans for changing the port of call and examination for boats between this country and the northern European neutrals from Falmouth to Halifax were made public. The idea is to allow the vessels to avoid the German submarine zone by swinging around Ireland and Scotland and down the Norwegian coast instead of touch-

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No Jarvis County To Be Created This Year

(Special Star Telegram).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 16.—Contending delegations of a hundred or more citizens each were here this afternoon before the joint committee on counties, cities and towns fighting for and against the bill to create Jarvis county out of portions of Johnson, Sampson and Harnett. The hearing was a long and stormy one, the result being unfavorably report 13 to 7.

J. C. Clifford and E. F. Young, of Dunn, the proposed county seat; headed the Jarvis county delegation. Charles Ross, Col. D. H. McLean, J. A. Oates, James H. Pou and others were the speakers against the new county.

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FIVE STEAMSHIPS SUNK BY U-BOATS

Sailing Vessel and Trawler Also Sent Down—Yesterday's Toll Fully 9,536 Tons

ALL UNDER BRITISH FLAG

Troops of German Crown Prince Make Successful Thrust Against the French Lines Between Verdun and Rheims.

Shipping totaling at least 9,536 tons has fallen prey to the German submarines, according to the later reports. All seven vessels sunk, which include a sailing vessel and a trawler, were of British registry. Of the five steamers sunk, the tonnage of one, the Kynusti, is not available. The Hopemoor, of 3,740 tons, was the largest victim reported.

Striking at the French line in Champagne, midway between Verdun and Rheims, troops of the German crown prince have taken ground to a depth of a half mile on a front of a mile and a half. The attackers captured 858 prisoners, including 21 officers and 20 machine guns.

The crown prince had not been active since his partly successful attack on French positions northwest of Verdun on January 25. The latest thrust in Champagne comes a few days less than a year after the beginning of the attack by him on the outlying fortifications of Verdun.

South of Ripont, between Tahure and Cernay, was the scene of the German success. Most of the ground gained was contained in the Maisons De Champagne Farm and on Hill 185 which lies about one-third of a mile south of the farm. The latest French official statement mentions only artillery activity in the vicinity of Maisons De Champagne and declares there was no infantry activit ythere. Berlin's supplementary report mentions no further activity in Champagne.

Except for raids by British, French and German troops at various points along the front in France and two small engagements in Galicia, there has been no important infantry fighting on the other of the battle fields. Official communications report much aerial activity on the western front.

MANAGEWENT OF STATE FARM NOT IMPEACHED?

Opinion of Committee as to Evidence Thus Far Produced

Committee Holds Two Sessions in a Day and Adjourns Till Next Wednesday—Character of Officers O.K.'D by Witnesses

(Special Star Telegram).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 16.—The joint committee investigating the State prison farm management held two sessions today and recessed to next Wednesday with the expectation of concluding hearings at that time.

Most witnesses today were by the prison management establishing high character of officers at the farm stockade who have been impeached by the ex-convict and other testimony. G. P. Burgwin, prominent merchant and farmer near the State Farm, and J. W. Shaw, rural mail carrier for the State farm route, were especially notable witnesses giving highest commendation. All agree that there is dire need for improved quarters for prisoners, however.

Captain Christian, superintendent in charge of one camp, testified as to his

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FOOD CONDITIONS IN GERMANY CAN HARDLY IMPROVE

Situation May Not Become Worse But There is Little Hope of Relief This Year

LABOR ON FARMS SCARCE

People as Yet Are Not Starving But the Scant Supply Makes Living Unpleasant.

Geneva, Switzerland, via London, Feb. 16.—The food situation in Germany may not grow worse, but it scarcely can become better. This is the outstanding feature of Germany's great problem.

The German people as yet are not starving and they still have provisions in adequate quantities to support life, while in the case of further decreases in available supplies there is still the institution of compulsory "soup kitchens," the most economical method of making all foodstuffs go as far as possible to stand between Germany and any forced termination to the war through an absolute lack of food. Life for the civilian population of Germany on the present scanty allowance of food, however, is far from pleasant, though the German newspapers are fond of referring to conditions this winter and last winter as exceptional. They also say that the short rations are due largely to bad harvests and like to intimate that normal crops of grain and potatoes in the coming summer may end the principal food difficulties.

Labor Shortage Big Problem.

Many agricultural experts believe that the central empires did quite as well in both years as could be expected and that the populations of Germany and Austria-Hungary must reconcile themselves to getting along during the coming harvest year on no greater allowance than in the past. The problem as frankly discussed in agricultural circles and as outlined in a recent circular of the Prussian ministry of agriculture, is not one of more land for crops, but one of labor and fertilizer to cultivate the land already available advantageously.

Even the normal supply of potash—a fertilizing material indigenous to Germany in great quantities—will not be available the coming season owing to the labor shortage. The many factories producing nitrogen from the air will not be able to produce enough nitrates by far, in view of the ammunition requirements, to replace the nitrates normally imported from Chile for agricultural purposes and other imported fertilizers.

The decidedly short supply of labor, even by working every available prisoner of war and the inhabitants of occupied districts, is not enough for the intensive cultivation which made Germany a world leader in big crop farming.

Little Hope For Relief.

Taking all these factors into consideration, it is highly impossable that there will be any increase in general crop production over 1916 and 1915. Weather conditions may, as in 1915, produce a bumper potato crop and a poor grain crop, or the reverse result as in 1916, but the general result probably will be about the same.

Very little help, Adolph von Batocki, president of the food regulaion board, stated in a recent address, can be expected from outside sources in the future. Neighboring countries, he said, being under the steadily increasing pressure of the British sea control, would have little or nothing avaliable for export to Germany this year and

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LINER FREDERIK VIII ANCHORS AT HALIFAX

Extraordinary Precautions Taken to Safeguard the Ship

Examination of Vessel's Cargo and Passports Will Begin This Morning at Direction of British Navy Officials.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 16.—The Scandinavian-American liner Frederick VIII, from New York with Count von Bernstorff, the former German ambassador to the United States, and his party of German consular officials homeward bound on board, anchored in Halifax harbor tonight. Powerful searchlights were played on her from both sides of the harbor as she steamed slowly to her anchorage convoyed by a swarm of naval patrol boats.

In keeping with the assurances given by Great Britain to the United States for the safe conduct of the former ambassador, extraordinary precautions were taken to safeguard the ship. No one not having official business on board was allowed to approach the steamer. Searchlights illumined the adjacent waters and naval launches were detailed to keep up an active pa-

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RAILROADS OFFER THEIR RESOURCES IN EVENT OF WAR

Fairfax Harrison is Named Chairman of Special Committee of National Defense

TELEGRAM SENT PRESIDENT

New Committee Will Act Under Direction of the National Council for Defense

New York, Feb. 16.—The railroads of the United States today informed President Wilson that the resources of their organization are at the disposal of the government in the event of war.

Officials of 18 roads were appointed a special committee of National defense, President Fairfax Harrison, of the Southern Railway, being chairman. He was the chairman of the committee formed by the railroads last fall to expedite the transportation of troops to the border, which will be supplemented by the committee named today.

W. W. Atterbury, vice-president of the Pennsylvania Railroad, sent the telegram to President Wilson notifying him of the action of the railways.

The committee was named today at a meeting of the American Railway Association's executive committee and will act under the direction of President Wilson's National Council for defense. Daniel O. Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio and a citizen member of the council in charge of transportation and communication, will act in an advisory capacity both for the new committee and for the council in the railroads' preparedness measures.

Geographical division was made of the country, corresponding with the four army departments, and a subcommittee of railway heads was appointed for each territory, the headquarters of each to be in or near the city where the commander's headquarters is located.

In the Southern department, W. H. Scott, president of Southern Pacific lines in Texas and Louisiana, is chairman; B. F. Bush, receiver of Missouri Pacific; C. E. Schaff, receiver of Missouri Kansas and Texas, are his associates.

At the meeting today there was no discussion of the work which the government might call upon the roads to do. The new committee will meet in Washington as soon as the Council For National Defense wishes, it was stated, prepared to assure the Federal body that the roads will carry out instructions faithfully.

INTERNATIONAL CRISIS AGAIN BEFORE SENATE

Stone Denounces Those Who Would Create War Sentiment

Says Newspapers Publishing False Statements Should be Punished. Bill to Curtail Activities of Foreign Agents Debated.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The Senate turned it attention to the international crisis again today, a debate on the administration bill to curtail acivities of foreign agents developing many references to the situation with Germany and drawing from Chairman Stone of the foreign relations committee a bitter denunciation of newspapers which circulate false statements in order to create a sentiment for war.

"There is no shadow of doubt in the mind of any fair thinking man," said Senator Stone, "that there is a cabal of great newspapers in this country seeking to create a sentiment and coarce the government of the United States into an attitude of hostility with one of the belligerent powers. I believe any one who makes such afise statements is a public enemy and that he should be punished."

The foreign relations chairman made this statement in discussing a section of the bill which would make it a crime to wilfully or knowingly under oath make an untrue setatement intended to influence the measures or conduct of a foreign government in relation to any dispute or controversy with the United States. He argued that the same punisament should apply to persons, including editors or publishers, who knowlying or wilfully made such statements, not under oath.

Senator Cummins objected vigorously to the section which would authorize the President to use the army and navy to seize or detain munitions of war or ships carrying them where they are designed to be used to violate American neutrality. He proposed to amend the provision so that the armed forces could not be used "at a time or in a manner that would make it an act of war."

Senator Sutherland and Senator Fall opposed the amendment, the former declaring it "would be trying the hands of the executive" and citing

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Says He Saw Deutschland and 186 Other German Submarines In Plymouth, England, Harbor

Baltimore, Feb. 16.—William Palmer, second engineer of the American transport liner Mongolia, which arrived here today from Plymouth, England, via New York, said he saw the merchant submarine Deutschland and 186 other German under-water boats in Plymouth harbor. Palmer asserted that the British had captured 400 enemy U-boats and that 187 of that number were chained together in Plymouth harbor.

Captain Koenig, commander, and the Deutschland's crew, are in English jails, the engineer said. Palmer formerly was employed by the Chesapeake Steamship Company, which operates steamers between this port and Norfolk. He said he did not learn how the Deutschland was captured.

FRENCH POSITION TAKEN BY GERMANS

Troops of Crown Prince Capture Ground to Depth of Half Mile In Champagne.

858 PRISONERS ARE TAKEN

According to Berlin, the German Losses Are Said to Have Been Small—Counter Attacks of the French Repulsed.

Berlin, Feb. 16. (via Sayville.)—Troops of the German crown prince in an attack against French positions south of Ripont, in the Champagne, yesterday, the war office anounced today, on a front of about a mile and a half captured ground to a depth of a half mile. The Germans took 858 prisoners including 21 officers.

The attack which was preceded by intense artillery fire, was made mainly against French positions at Maissons De Champagne Farm and Hill 185, about one-third of a mile south of the farm. Four lines of French positions were stormed in the attack. The French made counter-attacks last night and this morning, but were repulsed with losses. The German losses are said to have been small. The statement follows:

"Western war theatre: Army group of Crown Prince Rupprecht: Northeast of Armentieres and south of LaBassee Canal and in the Somme sector the artillery activity continued into the night. Gatherings of hostile infantry in entrenches north of Armentieres, west of Lens and on both banks of the Ancre were shelled by us with devastating fire and no attacks, therefore, developed.

"Army group of the German crown prince: In the Champagne south of Ripont after efficient preparation rendered by the artillery and mine throwers an attack was executed by our infantry with foresight and energy to a full success.

"On Maisons De Champagne Farm and Hill 185 four hostile lines on a width of 2600 metres were stormed to a depth of 800 metres. Twenty-one officers and 837 men of other ranks were made prisoner. Twenty machine guns and one mine thrower were brought in as booty. Our losses were small.

"The French increased their own losses in violent counter-attacks which carried on in the evening and this morning against the positions taken from them.

"On the west bank of the Meuse (Verdun sector) reconnoitering parties brought back 44 prisoners mostly from the Third French line.

"On both sides during the day and night aviators were lively and active. The enemy lost seven airplanes in aerial fights and as a result of cannon and infantry fire."

KAISER CONGRATULATES THE CROWN PRINCE ON SUCCESS

Berlin, via London, Feb. 16.—An official communication says Emperor William has telegraphed the German crown prince, congratulating him and his troops for their successful attack against the French in the Champagne, which he says maintained their reputation for smart execution.

CHARGED WITH VIOLATING NATIONAL DEFENSE LAWS

Fred Kaiser, Said to be German Subject, Arrested at Nogales, Ariz.

Nogales, Ariz., Feb. 16.—Fred Kaiser, said to be a German subject, was arrested here today on a charge of violating the National defense laws. He was specifically charged with entering a warehouse illegally and was alleged to have been obtaining military information. Kaiser resided in Nogales.

Kaiser, who was released tonight on $2,000 bail, is said to be a former German vice consul at Manzanillo and Colima, Mexico.

COL. WATERMAN ORDERS HIS TROOPS TO KEEP UP PATROL

Cavalrymen Held in Readiness From El aso to Douglas, Ariz.

Hachita, N. M., Feb. 16.—Lieutenant Colonel J. C. Watrman, commanding the Hachita district, sent orders to his troops today to maintain constnat patrols along the border. Unofficial reports said all cavalry regiments on the border from El Paso to Douglas, Ariz., has been instructed to hold themselves in readiness to move immediately. These preparations are precautionary against Salazar's threat of another raid. Two troops of regular cavalry reinforced the border patrol today and two were to leave for the border tonight.

LOWER PRICES FOR PAPER PROMISED

Manufacturers of United States and Canada Submit Proposal to Trade Commission

ITS ACCEPTANCE LIKELY

Is Signal Victory for the Publishers and Would Mean a Saving to Them of at Least $30,000,000 Per Year.

Washington, Feb. 16.—News print paper manufacturers, facing criminal prosecution in United States courts for alleged combination in restraint of trade, proposed to the Federal Trade Commission today that it fix a reasonable price for the output of the principal plants of the United States and Canada. The commission announced tonight that it had the proposal under consideration and would reply immediately. It is generally believed the answer will be an acceptance.

The action of the manufacturers gives a signal victory to American newspaper publishers, who in the face of advancing paper prices have seen nothing ahead but ruin for many of their number. If the proposal is accepted officials say it will mark an expansion of the functions of the government, which in arbitrating the differences between the two industries opens a wide field of possibilities for the future.

May Discontinue Grand Jury Inquiry.

Although nothing has been said concerning the continuance of grand jury proceedings in New York it is well understood the manufacturers' move was predicated on the assumption that there would be no criminal prosecutions. The manufacturers, in their proposal, while denying there have been any violations of the law, agree that the trade commission, if it finds it necessary, may make recommendations for such changes in the business of print paper manufacture that the industry "may maintain its organization, management and conduct of business in accordance with the law."

The announcement came after several days of conferences between representatives of manufacturers who make enough of the continent's paper to control the market, and attorneys for the commission headed by Francis J. Heney, of San Francisco. The administration has shown the keenest interest in the proceedings and it was said today Secretary McAdoo's aid had made possible the result.

The investigation was put under way last summer under a resolution adopted by the Senate. At hearings held last fall and as late as January, the manufacturs, it is said, discouraged the commission's efforts to find a solution for prohibitive prices. After the grand jury proceedings were started they came voluntarily to Washington with their proposition.

Enormous Saving.

It is estimated that if the proposal is accepted and reasonable prices are fixed, at least $30,000,000 will be saved to American publishers this year. Nothing is said of increased production, but it is understood the manufacturers are willing to keep enough machines on news print paper to insure a paper supply for the entire country.

It was learned today that the Canadian government will fix a maximum price of two and one-half cents a pound on news print sold to Canadian publishers, leaving the price to be charged Americans to be determined in this country. The two governments have worked in concert in the situation.

Outcome of Federal Inquiry

A statement issued by the Trade Commission said in part:

"The proposition is the outcome of the news-print paper investigation that the Federal Trade Commission has been conducting for the last eight months. As a result of public hearings and the work of economists, accountants and field experts, the commission arrived at the conclusion that the paper shortage was largely artificial, that prices were extortionate and that free competition had ceased to exist.

"It was the evidence procured by the commission, and turned over to the attorney general, that led to the recent preparations for criminal prosecution by the Department of Justice.

"For the last two months, the commission has been seeking speedy relief from an intolerable situation by means of conferences between publishers and manufacturers, but a deadlock was the only result. Determining upon decisive measures the Federal Trade Commission employed Francis J. Heney, of California, to assist the

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MANY LOCAL BILLS CLEARED FROM THE CALENDAR OF HOUSE

Passes Bill to Empower Any Township to Vote Bonds for Stock in Railroads

REVENUE BILL PROGRESSES

Senate Passes Bill to Enlarge Powers of Electric Light Companies, After Discussion.

(By W. J. MARTIN).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 16.—The House tonight cleared from the calendar a large number of local bills in a session continuing to 10 o'clock. The Ellis Gardner bill empowering any township in the State to vote bonds or stock for railroads was a notable State-wide bill passed.

The Senate bill by Brenizer to regulate sanitation and bed room and other equipment of hotels elicited long argument and numbers of representatives wanted to exempt their counties, with the result that the bill was re-referred to committee.

The Senate had a long argument today on the Jones bill to annex Madison county townships, including Mars Hill College, to Buncombe, and discussed it until nearly 2 o'clock when the measure failed to pass by a vote of 11 to 34.

Home for Wayword Women

The Senate discussed the Brenizer bill for authorizing the co-operation of cities of 20,000 people with their counties in the establishment of homes for wayward women and girls. Senator Jones still objected to features of the bill and it was re-referred.

President Gardner laid before the Senate a bill to enlarge the powers of electric light companies, especially in order that they may have power to condemn orchards and dwellings heretofore excepted. The bill was discussed considerably and finally passed and sent to the Senate.

New Bills in Senate

New bills were offered as follows:

Jones (by request)—Establish home and training school for wayward girls in Buncombe.

Williams—Authorize the removal of timber from along public roads.

Oates—Permit the clerk of the Cumberland recorder's court to act as deputy clerk of the Superior court.

Justice—Include Polk county in the operation of the State-wide primary law.

Cranmer—Remodel the Brunswick county court house.

McLeod—Provide for the election of the board of education in Harnett county.

Cranmer—Amend the lein law.

McLeod—Provide for the election of the Sampson county board of education.

Progress on Revenue Bill

The House spent much of the day in committee of the whole, for the first time, considering the Revenue bill. The fact that few changes are made in the present Revenue act and that there is no change proposed in the State tax rate enabled the House in committee of the whole to make remarkably rapid progress. Thirty-four pages of the bill were read by sections and adopted, with very few matters left open for future consideration. The work progressed through Schedule B to Schedule C on page 34.

Representative Ray introduced a bill to put Chatham officers on salaries and Representative Winborne a bill for retiring and pensioning judges.

To Apply Pruning Knife

Speaker Murphy announced the appointment of Representatives McLendon, Pharr, Dalton, Ray, of Chatham, and Brummitt as a special committee to weed out the bills pending in committees and on the House calendar that are clearly unconstitutional or too unimportant to consume the time and cumber the records of the House, there being one hundred or more of such.

New Bills in House

New bills were introduced as follows:

Davis—Regulate the sale of bitters in Dare county.

Wright—Increase the number of University trustees.

Grier—Amend attorney to the 1913 levy for six months schools; Require Insurance Commission to pay over all fees to the State Treasurer; Relative to the statute of limitations.

Breece—Provide for the licensing of public cotton gins.

Breece—Regulate the sale of seed cotton in Cumberland county.

Love—Create and establish a county assembly in Lenoir.

Kittrell—Relating to contracts between landlords and tenants.

McLendon (by request)—Authorize Tyrrell county to levy a special tax.

Farrish—Provide for repairing, renovating and completely fireproofing the State Capitol building.

Grant, of Onslow—Amend the revisal relative to the Superior courts.

Kizer—Prohibit the charging of greater interest than 6 per cent.

Darden—Amend the pension laws and levy a special tax.

Noland—Amend the 1915 local laws relative to auditing accounts in Haywood county.

New York, Feb. 16.—Transportation conditions west of Buffalo and Pittsburg, extending to the Mississippi river, are chiefly responsible for the freight congestion throughout the country and not partial paralysis of shipping resulting from German submarine activities, E. B. Thomas, president of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, asserted today.

BIG STEEL NET WILL BAR UNDERSEA BOATS

Is Being Placed Across Entrance to Hampton Roads

Rear Admiral McLean, Commandant of Fifth Naval District, Warns Masters of Ships of Harbor Entrance Menace

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 16.—As fully half of the big steel net, being placed in the entrance of Hampton Roads as a guard against undersea boats, has been placed in position, Rear Admiral McLean, commandant of the Fifth naval district, today warned masters of the harbor entrance menace.

He issued instructions that before attempting to approach the line of buoys holding the net in position, ship navigators should signal the destroyer and naval tug on duty and await orders before proceeding. Searchlights at night will play upon the buoys to warn ships.

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ecmmission in securing instant action and relief. It is through conferences between Mr. Henry, on the one hand, and the manufacturers and their attorneys on the other, that the proposition has been made to put the whole matter up to the Federal Trade Commission.

"This was the proposition suggested by the publishers January 27 at a Chicago conference and refused at that time by the manufacturers. Once convinced of the commission's determination, as well as impressed by its presentation of the evils and perils of the situation, the manufacturers made the submission in a spirit of fairness and co-operation.

Principal Features of Proposed.

The principal features of the offer are:

"'Whereas, among manufacturers and publishers, there are differences of opinion regarding the increase since January 1916, in the cost of production of news-print paper in the United States, and regarding the increased increased prices to which manufacturers are entitled for news-print paper sold for use in the United States for the six months period beginning March 1, 1917, taking into consideration hte increase in their cost of production and other conditions affecting such manufacturers:

"'And whereas, the undersigned manufacturers are desirous of co-operating in any plan that may be approved by the Federal Trade Commission, providing for a more effective distribution of news-print paper among the smaller publishers:

"'And whereas, the undersigned manufacturers are desirous of submitting these matters to the arbitrament of the Federal Trade Commission:

Commission to Determine Cost.

"'Now therefore, each of the undersigned does hereby request the Federal Trade Commission to find, fix and determine forthwith;

"'(a) The probable or estimated increased cost of production of standard news-print paper in the United States during the period of time commencing March 1, 1917, and ending September 1, 1917, over the cost of production of news-print paper in the United States during the year 1916.

"'(b) What price per hundred pounds at the mill would be a fair and reasonable price for the sale of such paper for use in the United States during the aforesaid period of time, from March 1, 1917, to September 1, 1917; taking into consideration such increased cost of production and other conditions affecting respective manufacturers which the commission may deem pertinent at this time.'

"It is agreed by the manufacturers that they will carry out all existing contracts even if at prices lower than those fixed by the commission, and with that respect for contracts which are for higher prices, reductions will be made. Further important clauses in the proposition are these:

"'And each of the undersigned does hereby agree that it will, so far as lies in its power, limit each contract purchaser to his necessary requirements only, and sell to its customers respectively who have no contracts, sufficient paper to meet their necessary requirements only, during said period of time, at a price not in excess of the amount found, fixed and determined by the Federal Trade Commission to be a fair and reasonable maximum price on such paper.

Manufacturers to Co-Operate.

"'And the undersigned does also agree and bind itself to co-operate with the Federal Trade Commission in carrying out any plan approved by the commission to bring about the distribution of news-print paper for the purpose of securing prompt and effective relief to the small publishers of the UnitedStates, and which will enable such small publishers through co-operative buying, to secure their news-print paper at practically the same price as that which is hereinunder to be enjoyed by the larger publishers, due provision being made for any additional cost of distribution. New publishers shall not be charged more than said maximum price so found, fixed and determined by the Federal Trade Commission during said period of time.

"'And each of the undersigned while not admitting it, but on the contrary expressly denying, that any law has been violated by it, does nevertheless hereby agree that the Federal Trade Commission may if it finds it necessary or advisable proceed forthwith to make recommendations for the readjustment of its business in order that it may maintain its organization, management and conduct of business in accordance with law.'

"The proposition which has been taken under advisement by the Federal Trade Commission, is said by government officials to mark a new era in American life. The commission was created to provide an expert body for scientific and economic adjustment rather than prosecute in order that the public might not be compelled to wait and suffer for relief during the slower processes of the criminal law.

"The offer of the news-print manufacturers is the first practical recognition of the new idea by American business men. Official Washington is amazed at the completeness of the commission's accomplishment and already there is a belief that the action of the paper manufacturers will be followed by other groups that have been charged with monopoly and extortion.

"If the commission accepts the offer, it is in a position, by reason of facts gathered in the last eight months, to make its decision before March 1. This done, a first step has been taken for the establishment of mutual relations between publishers and manufacturers, even while competition is freed from restraint and the public interest safeguarded at every joint."

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EASTERN N. CAROLINA FAIR CIRCUIT FORMED

Dates for Seven Fairs to be Held This Fall Scheduled

Schedule Arranged and Organization Effected at Meeting of Fair Officials Held at Goldsboro Yesterday.

(Special Star Telegram).

Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 16.—The organization of the Eastern Carolina circuit of fairs was effected in this city today by representative officials of the several fair associations of Eastern North Carolina, who met here by appointment for that purpose and for fixing dates for next fall's fairs in the territory covered by this new organization.

Goldsboro, Kinston, New Bern, Smithfield, Rocky Mount, Tarboro and Clinton had officials at the meeting and the "Eastern Carolina Circuit of Fairs" was organized with the following officers:

President—Mr. C. A. Johnson, of Tarboro.

First vice-president—Mr. G. A. Horne, of Rocky Mount.

Second vice-president—Mr. Graves J. Smith, of Goldsboro.

Secretary and treasurer—Dr. W. C. Knox, of Kinston.

The date for holding the fairs of the towns represented were fixed as follows:

Goldsboro, October 9-12.
New Bern, October 16-19.
Kinston, October 23-26.
Tarboro, October 30 to November 2.
Smithfield, November 6-9.
Clinton, November 13-16.

It was also decided to have a series of "spring races" opening in this city about May 8th.

INTERNATIONAL CRISIS AGAIN BEFORE SENATE

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many provisions of law which, he said, aldeady gave authority to use the army and navy to preserve neutrality without such restrictions.

Senator Cummins finally withdrew his amendment in order to perfect it. He probably will re-introduce it tomorrow.

AMERICAN WOMEN WEAK

Good Looking, But Physically Unfit, Says Aged Viennese

(New Orleans Times-Picayne).

American women are good looking and clever, but not very strong physically, according to the verdict passed upon them by Mrs. Charlotte de Gollers Davenport, who spoke before the Woman's Club here. Mrs. Davenport is in her ninety-fourth year, has a son 74 years years old and is the mother of 20 children. She was graduated from the University of Vienna as a professor of hygiene, which, she says, was a great distinction, as "the German universities are hard on women."

I was in teaching the women of New York fencing that Mrs. Davenport became impressed by their physical weakness, and warns American women, in consequence, to build themselves up physically.

That women are not thinking very earnestly was another assertion of the visitor. She believes in women possessing strong individuality, of being original and independent as thinkers, and her short, informal talk encouraged women to cultivate such tendencies.

PROSECUTORS TO CONTINUE THE INQUIRY IN NEW YORK

New York, Feb. 16.—Bainbridge Colby and Mark Hyman, special prosecutors in charge of the Federal grand jury, investigation to determine whether the high cost of print paper is due to criminal violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, tonight assumed that the investigation would continue. They said they had received no instructions to withdraw the inquiry. The jury has been instructed to report again on Monday.

Two officers of the News-print Manufacturers' Association were before the jury today. They were Robert M. Houk, assistant secertary, and L. R. Lockhead, general manager and cashier. The government prosecutors expect to call every officer of the News-print Manufacturers' Association, an organization of 68 companies or individuals.

CHARLOTTE ACCIDENT MAY CAUSE ONE DEATH

Speeding Fire Truck Crashes Into Moving Street Car

Two Firemen Dongerously Injured, One Probably Fatally, and Half a Dozen Others Painfully—Car Passengers Unhurt.

(Special Star Telegram).

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 16.—Foreman W. F. Simpson, of the Central fire station, and Fireman Geo. W. Spittle were dangerously injured, Spittle probably fatally, and five other firemen were more or less injured here today when the automobile fire truck in which they were speeding to answer an alarm ran into a street car at the intersection of South Boulevard and Park avenue, in Dilworth.

Fireman Spittle suffered concussion at the base of the brain and other injuries of a lighter nature, while Captain Simpson suffered several broken ribs and severe cut on the head, with perhaps internal injuries. The six other firemen on the track, Wade Phillips, J. Van Duncan, James Morris, Calvin Grier, Henry Barkley and Bob Barnes, all suffered bruises and scratches, some of them being painful. Phillips, Duncan and Barnes went to the hospital but later were able to go home. Barnes, who was driving the machine, suffered the least injuries of all.

Strange to say, none of the four passengers in the street car was hurt, though all were badly shaken up. The conductor and motorman likewise escaped without hurt. Not a pane of glass was broken in the street car. The automobile, coming out of a side street as the street car was passing, hit it squarely in the side, making a big dent in the lower part of the body, but otherwise doing it little damage.

HARVARD INCOME SOURCES

Endowment Committee Gets Report Showing Conditions

(From the Boston Globe)

A financial statement, intended to disabuse the public mind of the belief that Harvard "is more nearly rolling in wealth than any of the other educational institutions in America," and issued recently by the university treasurer, was adopted by the endowment committee as propaganda in the campaign to raise an endowment fund of $10,000,000.

The report shows that the university's income is derived 43 per cent from endowment from gifts and 8 per cent from miscellaneous sources, and points out that Harvard can rely on receiving in normal times from endowment and students only approximately 81 per cent of the amount necessary to meet running expenses. The remaining 19 per cent must be obtained from other sources, often uncertain.

According to the report, the tuition fees for the year just ended were only $769,944, or less than 29 per cent of the operating expenses. "Thus the students paid less than one-third the cost of their education," the report reads.

The recent increase in the tuition fee from $150 to $200 will net a little more than $100,000 when it is in full effect four years from now, but this increase will be exceeded by the normal increase in the cost of maintenance, the treasurer believes.

BORDER WORK FILM.

One Thousand Feet and a Set of Stereopticon Slides Available for Rental.

(Y. M. C. A. Border Work.)

Local Associations that desire to show to their membership and friends a vivid picture of the work of the Army Young Men's Christian Association in the military camps on the Mexican border will find the reel of motion picture film, one thousand feet in length, especially prepared for the Army Young Men's Christian Association, of particular value. Reservations are being made for all open dates.

Associations that cannot use motion picture film may rent the set of 73 stereopticon slides. The slides are accompanied by a typewritten lecture and the story of the work on the border is told from its inception last July down to the present date. The rental price, either for the film or the set of slides, is $2.00, and secretaries desiring reservations should communicate with the Army and Navy Department of the International Committee, 124 East 28th st., New York.

CARD OF THANKS

The officers and members of the Wilmington Rotary club wish to extend their very sincere thanks to the merchants and business men of the city for their splendid co-operation; to each and every member of the cast, to the press and to the public generally for its attendance at the Rotary "County Fair." the last performance of which was given last night.

Through the splendid support just received, the Rotary club will be able to increase greatly the scope of its activities in the upbuilding of the city and thus benefitting every individual in Wilmington.

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50c. Part Wool Ladies' Gloves, for ... 39c

10c. Huck Towels, 5 for ... 39c

4 pairs Children's Hose, for ... 39c

3 pairs Ladies' Hose, for ... 39c

1 box of 10c. Colgate's Tooth Paste,
1 cake of 10c. Soap,
1 box of 10c. Talcum Powder,
1 25c. Tooth Brush,
ALL FOR ... 39c

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Muslin Corset Covers, embroidery and lace trimmed, for ... 39c

Corsets in the new models for ... 39c

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Hat Trimmings, Feathers, Fancy Ribbons, special lots for this sale, for ... 39c

Ladies' Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, from $1.00 to $3.50 values, special ... 39c

Children's Hats, in all colors, $1.00 to $2.25 values, for ... 39c

Ladies' Crepe Gowns, in low necks and short sleeves, for ... 39c

Children's Cotton Sweaters from 3 to 6 year sizes, for ... 39c

4 pair Children's Muslin Drawers, for ... 39c

4 pair Children's Under Bodies, for ... 39c

MEN'S SECTION.

Men's 50c. Wool Gloves, for ... 39c

4 pair 15c. Lisle Socks, for ... 39c

4 Men's Silk Ties, for ... 39c

10 Men's Handkerchiefs, 5c values, for ... 39c

50c. Men's Silk Ties, for ... 39c

Boys' Coat Sweaters, from 3 to 6 year sizes, for ... 39c

Men's 50c. Dress Shirts, for ... 39c

Men's Underwear, in 50c values for ... 39c

Boys' 50c. Under Suits, in 2-piece garments, for ... 39c

Boys' Blue Cotton Serge Pants, for ... 39c

Men's Overall Pants, special for ... 39c

50c. Boys' Hats, for ... 39c

BELK-WILLIAMS CO.

MANAGEMENT OF STATE FARM NOT IMPEACHED?

(Continued from Page One.)

management and the character of the men he has to deal with and held in subjugation. He exhibited over one hundred bowie knives and other improved weapons of the deadliest sort that prisoners have sereptitiously made for killing guards and fighting their way to freedom.

Captain Rhem, of the other farm camp, is yet to tell his story of conditions.

Members of the committee indicate that they do not consider the men connected with the management of the farm impeached in any way by the investigation thus far. It has been greatly emphasized that there must be new quarters that will assure better sanitation and separate cells for prisoners. There is division of sentiment with the committee as to the policy of whipping the prisoners, the majority holding that the practice is necessary and probably has not been overdone by the management.

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Permission for N. C. Guardsmen to Pass Through Virginia Given

Governor and Staff May Attend Wilson Inauguration—Requisition for O. D. Godwin is Issued—Music Association Chartered

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 16.—An order by the governor of Virginia came today to the headquarters of the North Carolina National Guard here granting permission for the North Carolina National Guard to pass through the State of Virginia on their trip to attend the ceremonies for the inauguration of President Wilson March 5.

Major Peterson, at North Carolina Guard headquarters, said today that so far is now known the only contingent of the North Carolina Guards that will attend will be the Second Company, Coast Artillery, Wilmington, which is expected to go about 75 men strong. It is possible that other companies that are not doing Mexican border service will decide to join in the trip before the time for movement. No definite decision has been made in the matter, but it is probable that Governor Bickett and staff will also be on hand. Every effort will be put forth to make the North Carolina representation of the militia as extensive and creditable as possible.

Governor Bickett issued a requisition today on the Governor of South Carolina for O. D. Godwin, who is wanted in Wilmington to answer the charge of assault with deadly weapon.

Music Association Chartered.

A charter is issued for The Raleigh Music Association, Incorporated, for the purpose of promoting musical entertainments in Relaigh and elsewhere in the State, the organization of choral societies, orchestral companies, and acting as agent for musical entertainments. The capital is $10.000 authorized and $250 subscribed by J. E. O'Donnell, Charles E. Johnson, Jr., Gustav Hagadorn and James McKimmon. Other new corporations chartered follow:

The Hanover Thread Mills Incorporated, of Gastonia, capital $250,000 authorized and $50,000 subscribed, the incorporators being W. T. Rankin, J. L. Bush and E. B. Brittain. The company will do a general textile manufacturing business.

The Union Building, Incorporated, Hamlet, capital $25,000 authorized and $400 subscribed by C. A. Shafer, J. H. Shelton and T. C. McEwin for constructing a building to be used by a combination of fraternal orders.

The Southern Screen Co., of Winston-Salem, capital $25,000 authorized and $5,000 subscribed by J. E. Van Horn, A. B. Holmes and J. M. Richardson for the manufacture of screens and other building novelties.

The Farmers Ginning and Produce Co., of Elizabeth City, capital $100,000 authorized and $6,000 subscribed by C. C. Poppendick, D. W. Morgan and M. D. Sample.

The W. H. Fisher Co., of Greensboro, capital $10,000 authorized and $6,500 subscribed by W. H. Fisher, J. B. Clendenin and T. H. Anderson for mercantile business.

FACTORS GOVERNING LOCATION OF ROADS SUBJECT DISCUSSED

By One of Speakers at Road Institute. Other Features.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 16.—The idea of permanency in the adjustment of our routes to the topography was emphasized in a paper before the Road Institute yesterday by Prof. T. F. Hickerson, of the University department of highway engineering. "Factors Governing Road Location" was his topic for discussion. Professor Hickerson said the primary considerations in road location were line and grade, but ample provision should always be made for drainage. The other factors that cannot be overlooked are traffic conditions, economy of construction and maintenance, serviceability to the community, best stream and ridge crossings, safe railway crossings, exposure to the sun, character of the foundation soil, etc.

Mr. C. M. Miller, road engineer of Wake county, gave a detailed description of the construction of gravel roads based upon conditions which he has met in Wake county. Mr. Philip P. Sharples, with the Barrett Manufacturing Co., gave an illustrated lecture on the manufacture of tar products and their uses in the construction of road surfaces.

Prof. A. H. Blanchard, consulting engineer of New York City, continued the instruction in the use of bituminous materials with an illustrated lecture which gave a thorough outline of various types of bituminous pavements.

GETS VERDICT FOR $250

Was Suing Western Union for $1,500 for Alleged Negligence.

(Specal Star Correspondence.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 16.—Mrs. Lottie Humphrey, of Greensboro, wanted $1.500 form the Western Union Telegraph Company because she was compelled to spend an hour around the the Atlantic Coast Line depot in Fayetteville, her home town, when her father here failed to receive a telegram warning him of her approaching visit. The jury gave her $250, returning the verdict this morning. The plaintiff contended that she was put to great inconvenience in having to stick around the depot while anxiously waiting for her father to show up, at length having to call a hack and ride out to her paternal home on Holt's Hill, and that the experience reduced her to a nervous state necessitating the service of a doctor The case was given to the jury in the Superior Court late yesterday afternoon.

—Supply Cor. Southport News: "Mr. P. S. Hawes returned from Wilmington Tuesday. He has been with his father, Mr. J. J. Hawes, who recently underwent an operation at the James Walker Memorial Hospital."

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THEATRICAL

The greatest laugh fest yet, was the general verdict of large audiences which witnessed the first presentation of the original musical comedy farce, "On To Washington," as presented by Guy Johnson's Dolly Dimple Girls at the Royal yesterday.

There's a lot of singing and music in this show, but aside from all this, there are some of most ridiculous laugh-provoking situations ever seen at the Royal. Scenes in which the inimitable Guy Johnson, without uttering a single word, could bring wrinkles of laughter to the most hardened countenance—but he says something—and the house explodes. It's a musical comedy play that has never before been seen in Wilmington, and is original from the first to the last.

That popular couple Hutchison and Meyers, charmed with what is considered by almost everyone, the greatest singing and dancing specialty of the entire week. Weist and Meyers also did a new turn at the piano with singing that called for many rounds of applause at every performance, and by special request Mr. Weist repeated "I Was Never Nearer Heaven."

The Dolly Dimple Quartette in new songs and specialties, and several other specialty numbers by the chorus, were well received. And last but not least, Grace Hutchison, the girl who made the Broadway Blues famous, gave her first presentation of this old timer yesterday and was greeted by a rousing reception, being forced to respond to three encores. It's a big show that you have the opportunity to see for the last times today.

Rose Tapley at Grand

And the Grand is pleased to announce another big scoop for today. Charming Rose Tapley, who was seen and heard by several thousand Wilmington people when she visited Wilmington on New Year's Day last, will be presented tomorrow as co-star with dimpled and beautiful Lillian Walker, in a mammoth Vitagraph feature, "Hesper of the Mountains," a human interest drama in five reels, the cast also including Evart Overton, Donald Hall and Denton Vane.

Although "Hesper of the Mountains," is decided a drama, we find the tension relieved in many instances by several clever comedy bits.

Donald McBride, who is responsible for the majority of these, has made a name for himself in filmdom through his comedy roles in a number of Vitagraph releases.

In this film he poses as the ranch owner—his facial expressions are humor itself—the knots into which he twists his body are his utter ignorance of "what's what" will be sure to demand a laugh from his audience.

His comedy skits interwoven with the strong dramatic points which the story contains, carry enough humor to relieve the high points in the accentuate the dramatic qualities of the photoplay.

All-Star Feature Bill at Bijou

It is a mammoth five-reel all-feature bill which the Bijou presents for today—a bill of pictures that will appeal to every individual in the audience.

The head-liner for today is a mammoth three-reel Universal-Gold Seal drama, and each one of the Gold Seal dramas, as you know from past experience, contains enough action to make a corking good five-reel feature photoplay such as are presented at high prices. The story is good, the acting is good and so jammed full of action that it could easily be padded to six reels without losing its good points.

"June Madness" is the title and it stars those two brilliant dramatic stars, Roy Stewart and Wadsworth Harriss, with all-star supporting cast. It is a drama whose every move is an unexpected one, and will keep you virtually up in the air up to the very end.

Animated Weekly is also on today, and in these troublous times, with war clouds hanging low over America, the news films are among the most interesting of all pictures shown.

"The Gold Lust" is another dramatic feature—a single reeler, but full of action from beginning to end.

AMERICA'S ONLY HORSE MEAT PACKING HOUSE

New York, Feb. 4.—John Sulzer, proprietor of what he announces to be "America's first Horse-Meat Packing House," waiting on a customer. Mr. Sulzer is doing a thriving business and declares that people come from far out of the city to obtain horse meat. Hisstore is under regulations of the Board of Health. The proprietor believes that he has solved the high cost of meats. Dr. Charles B. Bolduar, of the Board of Health of New York, said that the department made the sale of horse flesh legitimate in response to a popular demand from various quarters to the effect that the prohibition against such sale was illogical and deprived many persons who were accustomed to horse flesh as an article of diet of a valuable source of meat supply. Horse flesh is used as food in many European countries and experience has shown it is perfectly possible to enforce legislation whereby the sale of horse flesh as beef can be prevented. The packing house is located on the upper side of New York, one of the poorest sections of the city.
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LITERARY SOCIETIES OF WAKE FOREST CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Day at College Given Over to Festivities of Annual Event

Wake Forest, N. C., Feb. 16. — The eighty-second anniversary of the Euzelian and Philomathesian Literary Societies of Wake Forest College was celebrated today. The program for the day consisted of a debate in the afternoon, the orations in the evening in Wingate Memorial Hall, followed by the reception tendered by the two societies in the society halls. All college activities were suspended for the day, and many visitors were in attendance, including young ladies from Raleigh's three colleges, Meredith, St. Mary's and Peace, from Oxford Female College, and Coker College, of South Carolina.

An audience that comfortably filled Wingate Memorial Hall had assembled a 2:30 o'clock when Mr. E. C. Denton, president of the debate, called upon Mr. R. J. Hall, secretary, to announce the query, which read, "Resolved,—That the Federal Government Should Own and Operate Railroads Engaged in Interstate Commerce — Constitutionality Waived." After a spirited debate the judges, Dr. N. Y. Gulley, Dr. C. D. Graves and President C. E. Brewer, of Meredith College, rendered their decision in favor of the negative. Messrs. J. M. Hayes, of Wilkes county, and G. S. Quillin, of Rowan county, upheld the affirmative side of the question; while the negative side was defended by Messrs. J. C. Newton, of Cleveland county, and R. L. Humber, Jr., of Pitt county.

Another capacity audience assembled in Wingate Memorial Hall in the evening to hear the orations delivered by a representative from each society. Mr. J. B. Rucker was introduced by Mr. G. F. Washburn, chief marshal, as the orator from the Euzelian society. Mr. Rucker's subject was, "The New Democracy and Leadership." Mr. C. P. Herring, chief marshal, introduced Mr. J. M. Hester as the orator from the Philomathesian society. Mr. Hester spoke on "Isreal's Contribution to Human Advancement."

At the conclusion of the orations the audience adjourned to the two society halls where the exercises of the day were concluded with the reception tendered by the two societies.

—The following deeds were filed yesterday in the office of the register of deeds: Payne Drug Company to Chadbourn Lumber Company, property on Wright street, for $100 and other considerations; C. D. Weeks, commissioners, to Alice C. Pickett, property on Ninth street, for $58; W. A. Sue and wife to Alice C. Pickett, property on Ninth street, for $10 and other considerations.

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This spring promises to be a regular riot of colors, the sport styles predominating in each department and we have prepared for the season with the wanted shades.

Silk hose in black, white, gold, canary, green, champagne and all colors, priced special today, at per pair $1.00

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Many women are buying their spring garments early. It seems that each season people are purchasing earlier than the previous one. The style superiority of Bon Marche garments is emphasized in the beautiful assortment of suits and coats now on display.

Sport colors are featured but the more conservative colors and styles are likewise shown.

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LOUIS DRINKER AND HERBERT QUICK TO DELIVER ADDRESSES

At Inauguration of President Riddick at A. & M. College Thursday

(Special Star Correspondence)

West Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 16.—The inauguration of Wallace Carl Riddick, as president of the A. & M. College promises to eclipse all previous events at the West Raleigh institution. This occasion will take place on the 22nd, and it is expected that many of the alumni will return to participate in the exercises.

The principal addresses will be made by President Louis Drinker, of Lehigh University, and Hon. Herbert Quick, a former editor of Farm and Fireside, and at present a member of the National Farm Loan Board. Both of these men have a national reputation in their respective lines, and what they have to say should prove of unusual interest. Besides the above notables, there will be representatives from all leading colleges and universities of the South and East.

FIFTY ROYAL ARCH MASONS ATTEND FAYETTEVILLE MEET

Degree Conferred on Three Candidates at Triangular Affair.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 16—A triangular meeting of Phoenix Chapter No. 2, Royal Arch Masons, of Fayetteville, Concord Chapter No. 1, Wilmington, and Lumberton Chapter No. 77, of Lumberton, was held in this city last night, with 50 Royal Arch Masons present. The Royal Arch degree was conferred on three candidates, one from each of the chapters, by a degree team from each chapter. A banquet given by the local men followed the work of the triangular meeting.

The meeting last night was the second of a second of three gatherings being held at the suggestion of Grand High Priest H. E. Reid, of Lincolnton, and the Grand High Priest was represented here by Excellent Companion J. J. Phoenix, of Greensboro, Grand Captain of the Host of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina. The first of the three meetings was held in Wilmington last fall and the third will be held in Lumberton in the near future.

MR. ARTHUR WOOTEN DEAD

Well Known Tobacco Man Passes Away at Goldsboro.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 16.—Mr. Arthur Wooten, well known throughout Eastern Carolina as a tobacco buyer, died at a hospital in this city last night, where he had been a patient for several weeks. He is survived by his wife, two children, Miss Lillian and Sterling Wooten; two brothers, Messrs. Shade Wooten, of LaGrange, and L. A. Wooten, of Mount Olive; two sisters and his aged mother.

Mr. Wooten was stricken suddenly a few days before Christmas with a serious malady, and his health had slowly declined till death ended his suffering early last night.

The remains, accompanied by friends and relatives in this city, were taken to LaGrange this afternoon for interment in the family burying ground in that town.

MR. WM. H. STONE DEAD

Well Known Citizen of Greensboro, Formerly of Wilmington.

(Special Star Telegram).

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 16.—William H. Stone died this morning at the home of his son, W. H. Stone, Jr., aged 79 years. He was a native of Granville county and had lived at various times in Wilmington, Durham and Raleigh.

In early life he was a conductor on the Raleigh & Gaston railroad. He was admired and loved everywhere he was known. The funeral will be held here tomorrow.

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Mr. Cromartie Granted Leave

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 16.—Mr. D. L. Cromartie, of Garland, returned from Washington today, where he has been on business connected with the postal service. Mr. Cromartie has been granted a thirty days' leave of absence from his duties as route carrier from the Gorland office, on account of his health.

Lectures on "Potash Salts."

Trinity College, Feb. 15—Prof. R. N. Wilson, of the department of chemistry, gave a lecture last night before the local science club on the subject of "Potash Salts", which was heard by a large number of students and other members of the community. Following the lecture refreshments were served.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

Every one who comes into life has access to substantially the same material but each selects that which belongs to him.. Life is august and beautiful or squalid and mean as we interpret and use it.—Mabie in "The Life of the Spirit."

It could be even worse.

In time of war produce something to eat.

The judge who fined a vagrant $25 must have been a humorist.

Some cities have a "common council" and as a general thing it is.

If you don't know yourself never get Billy Sunday to introduce you to the scamp.

The British admiralty announces that for every one of Germany's undersea wolves the British navy has ten U-boat hounds of the sea.

It's said that opportunity knocks at least once upon every man's door, but it can also be said that every man has knocked at least one opportunity because he mistook it for some other fellow's pipe dream.

A doctor advises, "Don't eat too much." It is just as important, however, to eat a sufficiency, but how is that to be done when there is a limit to deglutition on account of the scantiness of sustenance?

The people of Porto Rico want to become citizens of the United States and certainly Congress ought to pass the pending bill giving them citizenship. It has been more than 18 years that we have been providing for them a government that does not rest upon the consent of the governed.

Well, two of us "would that we were a boy again," for the Jacksonville Times-Union draws this remarkable contrast between the sports of old and those of now: "The old fashioned beau who used to drive up to his lady love's home in a new red wheeled rubber tired buggy and a high stepping horse, now has a son who rides up to his girl's home in a twin-six and toots his Klaxon."

The Seaboard Air Line's gross revenues for the calendar year 1916 totaled $26,184,484, an increase of $3,543,616 over gross receipts in 1915. Operating expenses totaled $17,389,978, an increase of $1,895,383. Net surplus after all fixed charges including interest on adjustment bonds, $1,531,737, an increase of $1,284,487. Recently the Seaboard has given orders for 56 new locomotives.

The freight embargo on the railroads in this country is again serious on account of the U-boat menace to commerce. Why not divert some of the shipments to Southern ports for warehousing till the congestion is over? However, Wilmington brokers tell us that it is difficult to get the regular shipments of foodstuffs necessary for the customary jobbing business of Southern distributing points. Export shipments of foodstuffs necessary for and Western points are being given preference over regular shipments to the South.

Now that our foreign relations have become serious enough to threaten to get us into war, the Republicans have abandoned their jingoism and are appealing to President Wilson to keep us out of war. Republican House Leader Mann made a speech yesterday and took occasion to urge President Wilson to avoid any mix-up in Europe's war. Both sides applauded him, so they seem to realize now that they have been too busy playing the partisan for the last two years. We thought the time would come when Americans would have to realize that their first duty was to the President of their country during all his trials.

THE MAN MUST THINK FOR HIS LAND

Down here in the Nation's Garden Spot, land pays a man well if he will do the thinking for the land. Of course, the land can't think, but if the man will think and work, the land will do the rest. A man's land is his silent partner, so he must be the judge as to whether it needs draining, what kind of fertilizer it needs to make up for the soil deficiency, what kind of cultivation it requires, what crop rotation is necessary, and what it must be expected to do in the way of raising and taking care of the family and the livestock.

Farming onery? Not a bit of it. It's a science. It's a fine art. Only man is onery. Unless he thinks for his land he will wear it out and it will go back on him because he went back on it first. We know, because one of our farmer friends tells us that his land used to disappoint him till he got to thinking for it. Last season he thought a little and he made some of his acres produce him a net profit of more than $325 per acre in crops, besides taking care of livestock the profit on which he has not yet calculated. He rather thinks it will more than double his crop profit. His success depended upon thinking and it paid him to do it.

He thought out a plan to make an acre do more than it had been doing. He knew that it would take care of more than one crop during the ideal crop season down here on the Cape Fear. He figured on the adaptability of the soil and climate, so he decided to grow three crops either alternately or in company. He decided on the crops to grow and turned the trick. He planted for an early money crop and got it. His last company crops were corn, peas and peanuts, and the land did its best.

That is not all, however, for the land had only done its part in growing crops, but it had a fall and winter duty to perform in the way of taking care of a lot of cattle and hogs. The livestock kept fat till winter and then it was kept fat on corn and forage that had been produced in the summer. A winter cover crop also furnished winter grazing for the cattle.

The result of that kind of farming was butter and milk all the time—a farm income all the time, and yet there was more income when hog killing weather came. There was a winter harvest of 10,000 pounds of meat, and Kansas City and Chicago are not in it with the home raised article—neither in quality nor value—far apart between the cost of home production and the cost of buying meat shipped a thousand miles.

Meanwhile that farmer's income is going steadily on, for there is milk and butter for the Wilmington market, summer and winter. With two packing houses and a modern creamery, Wilmington will furnish as unlimited market next fall for all the livestock and dairy products that may be produced within 100 miles of this city.

All we have to do in the Nation's Garden Spot is to think more and make the acre work all the harder summer and winter. The harvest is great when we plan for it, and the climate and soil are so ideally adaptable to farm income, spring, summer and winter, that the intelligent man who keeps his acres busy has a cinch.

Besides the wonderful adaptabilities of this region for the year-round farming that pays, Wilmington has gone to work and provided packing house and creamery markets in order to create livestock opportunities on Eastern Carolina farms. Wilmington proposes to promote the livestock industry for all it is worth and with that end in view she will have a purebred stock exposition and livestock show on the 28th and 29th of March.

The business men of Wilmington propose to make this a 100 per cent farming country, so they have prepared to make this city a great livestock an dairy market so as to promote the raising of cattle, hogs, sheep and goats. This will provide an all-the-winter income for the systematic agriculturalist who is fortunate enough to be here or who gets wise and comes to this portion of the Nation's Garden Spot.

Wilmington is thinking for all the productive acres in this region of marvelous crop diversity. Wilmington is right on the job of building up the outside from the inside so the inside and the outside can grow up together. Wilmington is doing a good thing for the man who thinks for his land.

JOHN BARLEYCORN TREMBLING IN HIS BOOTS

At the very thought of war for the United States, John Barleycorn must be trembling in his boots. It is a grave menace for King Al, and though he cannot pose as a pacifist he must realize that war will mean his finish.

That's the talk, and the prohibition bills before Congress are quite indicative of the fact that the National legislature is ready to do almost anything to swat John Barleycorn. War would cause the immediate passage of a national prohibition law, for already there is a strong demand for suppression of the liquor traffic all over America in the event that this country gets into war.

In Ohio there is a pronounced movement for national prohibition in the event of a declaration of war. It is urged that such action would be one of the most effective means of lightening the financial burden that war would place upon the Nation in raising and maintaining a large army and in adopting other defense measures. In eastern Ohio, it is said, public sentiment is showing unmistakable signs in favor of Nation-wide suppression of the liquor traffic. No doubt war would cause the sentiment to sweep wildly all over America. Prohibition leaders of the state assert that in their opinion abolition of the liquor traffic would save the United States in dollars and cents as much as would be the cost of maintaining an army of possibly 2,000,000 men.

"Hundreds of thousands of men would be released for productive work, were the liquor traffic abolished," points out one "dry" leader. "Possibly as many more would be reclaimed from lives of debauchery and crime into which they have been led by the drink habit and if not at once made into useful citizens would cease to be a public menace to safety and morals. Railroads would be relieved from handling great tonnages of whiskey and beer and the materials from which they are made and in which they are marketed. Great quantities of food products would also be available in helping to reduce the cost of living.

"Russia was able to cut off revenue from the liquor traffic in face of a great war, and every one in the czar's country agrees it has been the financial gainer from the action. If Russia can get along without its revenue from vodka, the United States can do without its 'whiskey money.' With the liquor traffic abolished there would be no enemy behind the lines."

From Ohio comes the report that the business interests can be counted upon to take a hand in helping along the prohibition cause at this time. Iron and steel corporations in that section have for some time been taking advanced ground in the matter of fighting the liquor traffic. In some plants there are standing notices that intemperate men may not expect promotion of any kind, even if they are able to hold the positions they now have. In other equally effective ways the evils of strong drink are brought home to tens of thousands of such men.

MR. TAFT COMING SOUTH

Former President Taft will soon deliver several speeches in different Southern states. He will visit Greensboro on the 22nd of February and will deliver an address concerning the movement to promote the establishment of the League to Enforce Peace. He will also speak on the same subject in Atlanta on the 23rd of February. Secretary of War Newton D. Baker will also speak at the same time and on the same subject, as he is in hearty sympathy with the movement. Atlanta is preparing to give a great dinner in their honor.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington Star says: "Some men in Wilmington are likely to be judged by what they don't do to help along the progressive movements initiated by those concerned in practical measures for the upbuilding of Wilmington." Just substitute Jacksonville in imagination of which we have heard for Wilmington and this paragraph will fit local conditions like a glove.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

The Farm Loan Bank at Columbia will be the first to get under way. What is even more important, it will start under the best possible auspices. The system of rural credits established for this country by Congress has been severely criticised by Governor Herrick and others. It is only right; therefore, that the man who is chiefly responsible for the form which rural credits legislation took should be given a chance to establish the workability of the plan. Mr. F. J. Von Engelkin, who is the president of the Land Bank at Columbia, which will serve the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida, was a member of the American Commission which toured Europe in 1913 to study the rural credits systems of various European countries. He did not agree with the conclusions reached by the commission in its majority report, and in a minority report which he helped write outlined the plan which has now been written into law. Mr. Von Engelkin can be depended upon to make the bank at Columbia a success if anyone can. He should have the fullest possible co-operation.—Charleston News and Courier.

Our answer to Germany's overture for a discussion of differences with regard to her submarine warfare was the only answer which it was possible to make. There is nothing further to be discussed as to that subject. We said our final word last May in the case of the Sussex, and we have recently shown that we meant it by severing diplomatic relations with Germany. Our word stands. What remains now is action—abandonment by the German government of the submarine warfare against neutrals which it is now pursuing," or action by ourselves in case her campaign results in the destruction of American lives or vessels in violation of the principles we laid down in our ultimatum when the Sussex case was under consideration. We do not want war, but we cannot be beguiled into any more diplomatic fencing. Germany knows perfectly well the terms on which she can keep the peace with us. Those terms are simply that she shall not sink our vessels or kill our citizens under conditions which ignore their right to safety and protection by the rules of international law.—Baltimore Sun.

In view of the charges that have been made concerning the conduct of the prison farms of North Carolina it was most proper that there should have been an investigation by the General Assembly. That this investigation should be thorough, should go to the very root of things, is the desire of the people of the State we feel confident. If there are matters which need condemnation and correction these should come. There should be no attempt at palliation, for convicts are human beings. But there should be no judgment passed by the people of the State till there has been a hearing of both sides in the controversy. Every charge made should be fully examined, every defense offered should have a full hear-

DAY IN CONGRESS

Senate.

Met at 10:30 A. M.

Passed postoffice appropriation bill carrying $332,000,000.

Began consideration of espionage and anti-conspiracy bills.

Recessed at 5:50 P. M. to 10:30 A. M. Saturday.

House.

Met at 11 A. M.

Continued consideration of army appropriation bill.

Adjourned at 5:56 P. M. to 11 A. M. Saturday.

NO AGREEMENT REACHED ON GROVER ALEXANDER'S SALARY

Philadelphia, Feb. 16.—President W. F. Baker, of the Philadelphia National club, and Grover C. Alexander, pitcher, today discussed terms for the coming season but no agreement was reached and the two will confer again next Tuesday. Alexander wants a three-year contract at $15,000 a year. The club has offered him $7,000 a year with a bonus of $1,000 for winning 25 games.

PROPOSED MILITARY DIVISION CREATES FAVORABLE COMMENT

Asheville Citizen Gives Sketch of Mr. W. M. Atkinson's Career.

With reference to the plans which the War Department has under consideration for the establishment of a naval division of militia with Wilmington as the home station, Mr. W. M. Atkinson, of this city, an officer in the United States Navy during the Spanish-American war, stated last night that there were no new developments to report, but that the prospects were being carefully studied.

The suggestion that such a division be formed here as a part of the country's general "preparedness" activities, has awakened considerable interest throughout the State. In this connection the following from the Thursday's Asheville Citizen will be read with interest:

"W. M. Atkinson, a step-brother of Mrs. Tench Coxe and of Mrs. Thomas Settle, this city, has received official information from Washington of plans being laid for the organization of a naval division at Wilmington. Mr. Atkinson was an officer in the navy during the Spanish-American war, and is well known in Asheville. He is a grandson of Bishop Atkinson, of North Carolina, and a nephew of Mrs. Buell, a former resident of this city, who gave the Ravenscoft property to the Asheville diocese of the Episcopal church.

"In view of the preparedness talk now so rife, there is a great deal of interest being manifested in Wilmington in the proposal to form a naval division there. It is supposed the government will furnish one of the older torpedo boats for training purposes, as well as the quarters for the division. Mr. Atkinson holds an unlimited navigator's license and is qualified to navigate a ship of any size in any waters on the globe."

RACE SEGREGATION BEST FOR BOTH WHITE AND BLACK

City Attorney Pollard, of Richmond, Presents Brief to Supreme Court.

Washington, Feb. 16.—City Attorney H. R. Pollard, of Richmond, today presented a brief to the Supreme Court commending race segregation ordinances of Richmond, Louisville, Baltimore and other cities as a means of promoting the interests of both negro and white citizens. The Louisville ordinance is before the court and if declared void similar measures in other cities will be affected.

Photographs of negro residences, schools, churches and banks in Richmond were incorporated in Mr. Pollard's brief as evidence that restriction upon intermingling of whites and blacks does not curb the negro development. As the ordinances also prohibit white persons from residing in negro residential sections, it was argued that there is no unconstitutional discrimination against the colored race.

The case will be re-argued next month.

BALLET DANCER'S COSTUME

Novel Display at Bon Marche Causes Much Favorable Comment

A ballet dancer's figure clad only in silk stocking at the Bon Marche formed the central idea of a very effective and novel display of the latest styles of silk hose, and won much favorable comment from the many patrons and friends of the department store yesterday.

The window display depicts all the new colors in spring hosiery. The display is completely made up in the form of the lady's costume and is complete even to the hat worn by the figure, which is trimmed in silk hose.

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This 13th day of January, 1917.
CORNELIA CUOTON,
Executrix.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having this day qualified as Administrator of the estate of W. N. Royall, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to present the same to me, duly authenticated, on or before the 3rd day of February, 1918, or this notice will be plead in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make prompt payment.

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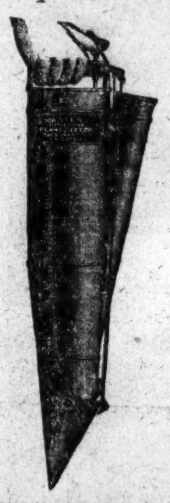

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COMMISSIONERS WILL CONSIDER SUGGESTION

Meeting to be Held Today to Discuss Ferry Project

Suggestion of Democratic Executive Committee Will be Taken Up—Mr. Gerrit Walker Enters a Caustic Disclaimer.

The ceding of Eagles' Island and the taking over of the ferry across the Cape Fear river will be considered at a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, which will likely be held today. At this time the action of eight members of the County Democratic Executive Committee Tuesday afternoon in recommending that immediate steps be taken in this direction will come up for consideration and discussion.

The action of the Democratic committee continued to be a topic of conversation in many political circles yesterday. Mr. Gerrit Walker, a member of the committee, who did not attend the meeting Tuesday afternoon, in a public statement entered a caustic disclaimer to being a party to the action of the committee in recommending to Senator E. H. Cranmer that all local matters be left to Representative Grant.

It was learned yesterday that copies of the resolution said to have been adopted at the meeting had not yet been forwarded to Senator Cranmer They will likely go forward today or tomorrow, however.

Members of the Board of Commissioners are practically a unit on the proposition that improved service must be secured immediately over the Cape Fear. The question seems to have resolved itself into one of getting an improved ferry in operation as early as possible. Members of the County Democratic Committee stated that their action Tuesday afternoon was largely for the purpose of hurrying along, if possible, what they understood the commissioners had in mind, but it was realized in order to do this it was necessary to take over Eagles' Island. As the Legislature adjourns soon, it was felt that something ought to be done to hurry up matters.

Whether the resolutions will hurry up things or not, they precipitated a lot of discussion and when the commissioners meet, which as stated may be today, there will be a lot more, no doubt. Anyway, the people of Wilmington are greatly interested in the subject.

At least one statement was issued for publication yesterday by a member of the Democratic Executive committee for the present. Mr. Gerrit Walker, of Harnett township, yesterday sent The Star the following statement of his position:

"Harnett Township, New Hanover County.

"To the Editor of The Star:

"As a member of the New Hanover County Democratic Executive committee, I can hold out no longer from expressing my pride in belonging to that organization, and if you will read the Wilmington papers of Wednesday and Thursday, you will easily see why. My regret for not being present at a meeting of that body on Tuesday the 13th is somewhat lessened by the fact that I did not receive an invitation to attend until Wednesday, the 14th. Oh, yes, I have a telephone, but I suppose the line was busy—but anyhow, as their action was 'unanimous' it makes no difference who was absent or who was present.

"And such action! Why, it makes my head swim. We depose our State Senator from this county, elevate our Representative, buy a part of Brunswick county or 'acquire' it, establish a free ferry, commandeer the 'handsome' fireboat Atlantic, 'compel' the Board of County Commissioners to actually appoint one 'Special County Officer' and give to Mr. Grant the power to appoint two. Do you blame me for feeling proud?

"Perhaps if I had been present the record would have been still more brilliant if I had unanimously passed a resolution to 'compel' our Representative to appoint the Board of Education for this county and so settle this vexed question.

"Also using my prerogative as a member I might have offered a resolution to take up a collection among the members of the committee to buy a ticket for the return of Senator Cranmer to Brunswick county as the Democratic Executive committee of New Hanover evidently has no use for him in their business.

"What would the people of New Hanover say? Oh, t'ell with the people.

"GERRIT WALKER."

DR. H. M. WHARTON TO PREACH IN WILMINGTON IN APRIL?

Will Probably Lead Evangelistic Services at First Baptist Church.

Arrangements have been about completed for having Dr. H. M. Wharton, noted preacher of Baltimore, and his singer, lead in evangelistic meetings in the First Baptist church of Wilmington in April, according to announcement by the pastor, Dr. J. J. Hurt. The meetings will probably begin on April 8 and run through two or three weeks, according to announcement in today's issue of Go Forward, which says:

"Pastor Craig was saying in Kinston the other day that Dr. Wharton had been there in revival meetings three times in the last several years, and that the people were as anxious to hear him each time as they would be to hear William Jennings Bryan. He was in Durham three years ago at the First church, and during the meetings there were 171 additions to that one church. We hope we can get him here, and there is encouragement to believe we can."

TO PREACH SUNDAY

Rev. W. T. Moss, of Chapel Hill, Will Conduct Services

Rev. W. T. Moss, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Chapel Hill, will preach at the morning service at 11 o'clock Sunday at the First Presbyterian church here.

Rev. Mr. Moss is one of the most popular pastors in Chapel Hill, and is well liked by both the University faculty and student body. He is a man of very pleasing personality, and speaks in most entertaining fashion. It is hoped that an unusually large number of church members and others will come to hear him tomorrow morning.

FOR CHURCH PENSION FUND

Final Effort of Episcopal Church to Raise $5,000,000 Fund For its Clergy Will be Made Sunday

Members of the diocesan committee, of which Judge George Rountree is chairman, in charge of securing the apportionment of $20,000 which the Diocese of East Carolina is requested to raise towards the $5,000,000 pension fund for the Episcopal clergy in the United States, have been busy the past few weeks in securing private subscriptions to the local fund.

Next Sunday special collections for the fund will be taken in all the churches of the diocese, and collections for the same purpose will be taken in all the 8,000 Episcopal church in the country. In thos connection the following dispatch from New York bearing on the final effort which will be made next Sunday to complete the fund, will be read with interest.

The final effort of the Episcopal church in its campaign to raise a $3,000,000 pension fund for its clergy will be made on Quinquagesima Sunday, February 18, when collection will be taken in every one of the 8,000 Episcopal churches in the United States. The fund of $5,000,000 must be raised by March 1 or none of the pledges are binding.

This last step to complete the church pension fund is to be made under the authority of the hundred-odd bishops throughout the country. The appeal will be made in this way to the 1,000,000 communicants of the Episcopal church in the United States."

PROBABLE CAUSE FOUND AGAINST J. F. JACKSON

White Man Charged With Enticing Laborers To Be Tried By Recorder

Following the finding of probable cause by Justice W. A. McGowan in the case against J. F. Jackson, of Kinston, charged with attempting to entice laborers, Recorder George Harriss yesterday granted a continuance until next Friday. Jackson, who is alleged to have tried to employ laborers under contract to work for a mill represented by him, was required to give bond in the sum of $200. The continuance was granted at the request of the defendant. The State's attorney stated that he was ready for trial.

Recorder Harriss also granted a continuance until Tuesday in the cases against Nick Lofton, Simon Galloway and Monk Moore, all colored, who are charged wth being implicated in the stealing of two bronze replicas of deer from the premses of Airlie, Mr. Pembroke Jones' country home on Wrights ville Sound.

Lofton, who nas been employed as laborer on Mr. Jones' country place at odd times for the past 20 years, was arrested Thursday night by Officer H. Mack Godwin. The other negroes were arrested yesterday morning. Galloway gave bond while the others are in jail in default of bond. The bronze ornaments were broken up and sold to him by Lofton, says Galloway, who declares that he knew nothing about stuff having been stolen. Galloway sold the materal to H. Stein, a junk dealer, who shipped it to a firm, in Philadelphia.

Tom Walker, colored, was found not guilty by the Recorder of a charge of assault on a female and the prosecuting witness, a dusky damsel, was taxed with the costs. Walker admitted that he had no job and was warned by the court to get one soon.

Lila Brown, colored was taxed with the costs for bringing a frivolous charge of disorderly conduct against Lizzie Edwards, also colored. Prayer for judgement was continued for 12 months in a case against Ben McFarlone colored, charged with violating the driving ordinance. Preston Durant, also colored, was taxed with the costs on a smaler charge.

Cases against Troy Jackson, colored, charged with larceny, and against six colored women, charged with vargancy, were continued until Tuesday.

AMATEUR SAFE BLOWERS UNSUCCESSFUL IN EFFORTS

Mr. W. J. Meredith Found His Store Broken Into But Nothing Missing

Amateur safe blowers tried their hands Thursday night at breaking open a safe in Mr. W. J. Meredith's produce store, No. 400 North Fourth street, but were unsuccessful in their efforts so far as getting money, but did succeed in putting the combination on the safe out of commission.

The attempted robbery was not discovered until yesterday morning when Mr. Meredith came down to open up his place of business. He found that the broken door had been broken open. Although there were 200 pounds of Scott Robinson hams and other provisions that would have provided many an appetising meal, nothing was missed from the store.

The would-be robbers evidently were after money and confined their efforts to the safe. They used chisels and smashed up things considerably. The police department was notified yesterday but could find no clue to the identity of the robbers. Mr. Meredith is inclined to believe that they were boys, who perhaps have been readings of the exploits of Deadwood Dick or Rough Rider Bill.

CAR DESTROYED BY FIRE

Mr. C. E. Scherer's Studebaker, Valued at $1,500, is Burned.

Mr. C. E. Scherer's 6-cylinder Studebaker car was practically destroyed by fire about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the gas became ignited in some manner while the owner was driving the machine from Rocky Point to Wilmington. The gas ignited just before Castle Haynes was reached, just how could not be learned.

Mr. Scherer had driven the car to Rocky Point earlier in the afternoon. After catching on fire the machine burned very rapidly and eqorts to save it proved futile. The machine was worth $1,500, partially covered by insurance carried with J. H. Boatwright & Son

Funeral of Frank Livingston.

Funeral services for Frank Livingston, a colored employe of the estat of Mr. Pembroke Jones, Airlie-on-the Sound, who died Wednesday afternoo at the James Walker Memorial Hosp tal, were held yesterday afternoon a the old Greenville burial grounds. Th deceased was all-round handy man o the Jones estated, being skilled as a farmer, fisherman and general labore He was well-liked both by white an colored people of his community. He is survived by one brother and thre sisters.

ADMIRALTY CASE ARGUED

Defense Claims Draw Was Obstruction to Navigation—Libellants Allege Negligence of Vessel

Argument of counsel in the case of the Wilmington Bridge Company and others against the Franco-Ottoman Shipping Company, charterers of the steamship "Cromwell," will be concluded before Judge H. G. Connor in Federal Court this morning. The closing argument will be made by Thos. W. Davis, Esq., of counsel for the libellants.

The question at issue and to be decided by Judge Connor is who was to blame for the draw on the bridge being konocked down, that is, whether it was due to negligence on the part of those in charge of the "Cromwell," the tug boat or whether it was an unavoidable accident. The amount of damage or libaility, if any, will also be decided by the Court as it is an admiralty proceeding.

Argument to the court on the evidence given by witnesses and the law points involved was made yesterday by J. O. Carr, Esq., and Judge George Rountree, who with the firm of Kirlin, Woolsey & Hickox, represent the Franco-Ottoman Shipping Company, while the argument for the railway company and others, was made by Herbert McClammy, Esq., and John D. Bellamy & Son.

The owners of the "Cromwell" and the tug contend that the draw was insufficient to accommodate river traffic, that complaint had been made by various commercial bodies and river interests against it and that the bridge was an unreasonable obstruction to navigation. The Bridge Company contends that the draw was sufficient to accommodate river traffic and was not an obstruction to navigation, and that it was due to negligence on the part of the vessel owners that the alleged damage was suffered.

The case of the Fisheries Products Company against the steamship "Edilio" will be taken up Monday morning at 10 o'clock upon the convening of court.

PLANS FOR UNIFICATION OF SOCIETIES IS DISCUSSED

Representatives of Patriotic Organizations Held Meeting Yesterday

Plans for the unification of all activities looking to harmony of action and helpfulness of the various patriotic societies of Wilmington were discussed at a meeting of the representatives of these organizations held in the director's room of the Murchison National Bank building yesterday at noon.

Archdeacon Thos. P. Noe, representing Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, president of the Red Cross Society, who unfortunately was prevented from attending on account of illness, presided at the meeting, which was called for the purpose of arranging for a mass meeting at an early date.

Plans were discussed freely and informally and the chairman was authorized to communicate at once with the authorities in Washington in order to get the information which the committee wishes to put before the citizens at the mass meeting.

Mrs. A. M. Waddell represented the National Special Aid Society. Other ladies, delegates and representatives from the Daughters of the Confederacy, North Carolina Sorosis, the Red Cross Society, etc., were: Mrs. Robert Cantwell, Mrs. S. Solomon, Mrs. Walter Parsley, Mrs. B. T. Hopkins, Mrs. M. L. Stover and Miss J. D. Wood.

The men in attendance were: Messrs. H. C. McQueen, M. J. Corbett, M. F. H. Gouverneur, J. W. H. Fuchs, W. M. Atkinson, L. Bluethenthal and Capt. Thos. D. Meares.

WILMINGTON RED MEN HAD BIG CELEBRATION IN DUNN

Parade Was Feature of Exercises at Gathering—Candidates Initiated

Welcomed in truly royal style and most hospital manner, the Wilmington delegation of Red Men, composed of 20 members of Eyota and Cherokee tribes, of this city, had a great time in Dunn Wednesday afternoon and night. The delegation was the crack degree team from the local tribes and went to Dunn for the purpose of initiating a class of 15 candidates for Chicora tribe, No. 183, which was organized a month ago. There were also delegations of Red Men from Fayetteville and Smithfield.

Upon arriving at Dunn, the visitors were met by the mayor, who turned over the keys of the city. The cordial hospitality of the Dunn people made a marked impression upon the visitors. Everyone extended to them a most hearty welcome and did everything possible to make them feel at home.

Wednesday afternoon the Wilmington degree team headed a parade through the principal streets of the town. Their Indian war path apparel made a splendid setting for the procession and was the big feature of the celebration.

TO SECURE SPEAKERS FOR THE LIVESTOCK CONFERENCE

Mr. T. W. Hughes, Special Agent, Will Spend Several Days in Baltimore

Mr. T. W. Hughes, special agent of the Southern Settlement and Development Organization, who has been in Wilmington for several weeks arranging for the big State-wide livestock exposition and conference to be held in March, left yesterday afternoon for Baltimore, Md., where he will spend several days on business. Before returning to Wilmington he will go to Washington, D. C., to confer with members of the Federal Department of Agriculture about speakers for the conference in Wilmington. It is expected that several men of National prominence will make addresses here.

Mr. Hughes is highly pleased with the interest that is being shown in the coming event and believes that this will, without doubt, be one of the biggest things of its kind ever held in the South.

INFANT DAUGHTER DIES

Deloise, Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Weaver, Passes Away

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Weaver, of No. 419 South Front street, will learn with the deepest regret that Deloise, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weaver, died last night at 11:30 o'clock at the home of her parents.

The remains of the little girl will be taken to Greenville, N. C., tonight on the train, and interment will be made at that place Sunday. The funeral services will be conducted by Rev. J. M. Craig.

BERRIES STOOD COLD WELL

Lettuce Crop Will Be Delayed But Not Seriously Shortened, Says The Truckers' Journal.

The damage to the strawberry crop in this section from the cold wave of last week has not been great because of the general hardiness of plants, while the lettuce crop will be delayed but not seriously shortened, if the conditions are favorable from now, according to the Carolina Fruit and Truckers' Journal, of Wilmington. In its last issue the Journal says:

"By wire, letter and long distance 'phone the Carolina Fruit and Truckers Journal has made a canvass this week of the strawberry district of Eastern Carolina and much to our gratification find that damage to the strawberry industry by reason of the cold wave and freeze last week has been very slight in New Hanover, Pender, Duplin, Wayne, Sampson, Bladen, Columbus, Brunswick, Onslow, Craven, Columbus and Robeson counties. There has been some damage, however, but nothing serious.

"Our special reports cover points like Chadbourn, Mt. Olive, Rose Hill, Faison, Rocky Point, Wallace, Teacheys, Tabor, Calypso, Loris, Conway, Clarendon, Whiteville, Newberlin, Cerro Gordo, Grists, Fruit Ridge, Clarkton, Bladenboro, Burgaw, Willard, Lumberton, Fairmont and many other points throughout the strawberry belt. While there has been some damage of course, the strawberry is one species of fruit that is better able to withstand cold weather and freezes at this time of the year than almost anything else known or growing. It is a hardy plant and the cold wave and freeze of last week will only toughen the vines and most effectually retard any premature vegetation that might have otherwise developed as the result of the warm winter thus far during December and January.

"Many of the growers with whom we have talked expressed the idea that next spring's crop of strawberries should be of higher grade and good carrying qualities, and all these facts should insure high grade fruit and good prices, as the two usually go together. Just what the future has in store for use in the way of cold waves and frost, no one would dare to forecast or speculate on; but one thing is certain, and that is the vines have been thoroughly toughened by which they will be enabled to the better withstand similar experiences in the future.

"The fields have been well worked, the vines adequately fertilized, with the result that all indications now point to an abundant crop this year. This will be good news not only to this city and section but to the growers throughout this whole district, as well as the commission merchants and buyers in different parts of the country. In point of volume and output no other section equals ours, while in point of grade and quality, our section is equal to the best and leads many others.

"In the matter of lettuce production, why it is easy to see from the reports printed elsewhere in this issue that New Hanover and the adjoining counties will produce three-fourths of all the lettuce grown from Virginia to Florida. This section will therefore constitute the clearing house and rallying ground for the 1917 lettuce season. Buyers and commission merchants in all the markets that have heretofore been relying on Florida and South Carolina to in part take care of their lettuce wants, will necessarily have to come this way.

"While we deeply sympathize with our friends in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, the fact remains nevertheless that New Hanover and the adjoining counties constitute about the only district between Virginia and Florida that three-fourths if not four-fifths of the lettuce crops wasn't killed outright by he cold wave and freeze of last week. It will be observed from our reports also that whereas twenty-five to thirty-three and one third per cent of the lettuce crop in this secion was killed last week, practically all the growers have plants enough available with which to reset the plants killed some days ago. Nowhere else does such a condition exist for nowhere else are the plants to be had for replanting purposes.

"Some have resorted to hotbeds as a means to force the rapid growth of plants in time for setting next month, and if they should succeed along these lines in accordance with their wishes, we should not be surprise if the New Hanover lettuce crop this year would be the largest ever grown and harvested around here, for the crop will be light in all other parts of the country and this being the favored spot, will be vigorously sought after and a good market will no doubt rule active and strong and high prices prevail during the entire season."

OFFICER GOT HOME SAFELY BUT HIS PRISONER ESCAPED

George Lee Leaped to Liberty Through Window of Train in Georgia

Leaping through an open window of a passenger train, George Lee, colored, arrested in Wilmington as a fugitive from justice and later turned over to Deputy Sheriff J. H. Strickland, of Hinesville, Ga., is now enjoying his liberty while the officer of the law is busy exercising his wits as to ways and means of capturing his prisoner again. Lee is alleged to have stolen three bales of cotton in the Georgia town.

Lee could have delayed his trip to Georgia by asking for requisition papers but he was quite willing to dispense with this little formality. Officer Strickland left Wilmington Wednesday morning with the negro in charge but while en route from Sayannah to his home, the prisoner jumped through the open window of the train, according to a letter received yesterday by Sheriff George C. Jackson.

The local officers are asked to look out for the negro, and to arrest him if he should return here. His wife lives in East Wilmington.

Funeral of Mr. Grant.

Funeral services for Mr. G. D. Grant, son of Mr. B. L. Grant, whose death occurred Thursday evening at the Red Cross Sanitarium, were conducted from Yopp's undertaking parlors by Rev. J. P King, pastor of Sixth Street Advent Christian church, yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The interment was in Bellevue cemetery.

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BOWEN CASE WILL GO TO SUPERIOR COURT JURY

Motion Docket Will be Taken Up at 10 O'clock This Morning

The case of Mr. S. V. Bowen against the Wilmington Beach Corporation, upon which argument of counsel was concluded yesterday afternoon in Superior court, will go to the jury this morning. Judge W. M. Bond announced yesterday that he would deliver his charge to the jury at 9:30 a. m. In this case the plaintiff is suing the Beach Corporation for approximately $1,000 as deed of conveyance to two lots, alleged to be due him for selling lots on a commission.

The law firm of Kenan & Wright represent Mr. Bowen in the action, while C. D. Weeks, Esq., appears for the defendant corporation.

Judge Bond anounced just before adjourning court yesterday that the motion docket will be taken up at 10 o'clock this morning, and all counsel interested are requested to be in attendance upon court at that time. This matter would have been taken up yesterday morning, but for the fact that the pending case could not be disposed in time. As the only remaining action now practically disposed of, there will be a clear field for the motion docket this morning.

Among the cases in which judgments of non-suit were entered in court yesterday were the following: Armour Fertilizer Works against the Carolina Transportation Company; New Hanover County vs J. H. Mohr; New Hanover County against Sarah Collins, the last two being tax suits.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC CRITIC.

Mr. Alexander Woolcott Likes Maude Adams' New Production.

Mr. Alexander Woolcott, dramatic critic of the New York Times, who is a brother of Mr. Harry Woolcott, secretary of the Tidewater Power Company, is an enthusiastic admirer of Miss Maude Adams' production of Barrie's "A Kiss for Cinderella", now being shown at the Empire theatre in New York, according to the press agent "dope" sent out to the newspapers of the country by the Charles Frohman management.

Mr. Woolcott has seen the play four times in six weeks, the press agent states, and he says he likes it better each time. It may be recalled in this connection that once when Edgar Allen Poe was dramatic critic for a New York paper he went every night in the week to see a play he liked especially. Mr. Woolcott is quoted as saying that he expects to see "A Kiss for Cinderella" for the seventh time with particular relish.

EXCELLENT EXHIBITION GIVEN IN Y. W. C. A. GYMNASIUM

Young Women and Girls Show Themselves to be Trained Gymnasts.

Believers in preparedness should have no cause for protest against the Wilmington Y. W. C. A. from start to finish in the gymnasium exhibition last evening, in which more than 40 young women and girls took part, the large crowd of spectators were afforded on example of preparedness of the sort that counts.

Beautifully executed dances and drills were rendered with the utmost precision by the different classes. The work on the horizontal bars, the rope climbing and vaulting were esecially good. One of the most appreciated numbers was the French doll drill while the closing act in which 40 young girls participated in a Zouave drill was one of the big features. Dressed in caps and red sweaters, the girls went through many intricate drills, closing by kneeling in salute to "Uncle Sam," who was represented to complet perfection by one of the girls, and singing the "Star Spangled Banner."

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. P. A. Wilcox, of Florence, S. C., is visiting for several days in the city.

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Mrs. E. S. Nance and son, Master E. S., Jr., are spending several days in the city.

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Mrs. Bessie Parker, of Richmond, Va., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. E. Winstead, No. 115 North Third street.

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Miss Florence Shaw, of Bladenboro, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. N. Baxley, No. 714 Grace street.

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Miss May Boone, of Philadelphia, has returned to her home after spending several days with friends here.

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Miss Gertrude Reeves, of Parkersburg, W. Va., has returned home after visiting relatives here.

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Mrs. George Rowell and little son, Harold, have gone to Washington, where they will visit Mrs. Rowell's mother, Mrs. J. C. Byrd.

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The Wilmington Knights of Columbus will give a card party at their hall here next Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock. Prizes will be awarded the winners and refreshments will be served. A small charge for admission will be made. The public is invited to attend.

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MISS ANNIE L. WILLIAMS ON SEASIDE ASSEMBLY PROGRAMME

Dr. J. J. Hurt, president of the North Carolina Baptist Seaside Assembly, has received a telegram announcing that Miss Annie L. Williams, "the finest lecturer on primary problems in the entire South," will be at the Baptist Seaside Assembly at Wrightsville Beach this summer. Dr. Hurt says the management of the Assembly has been trying hard for six months to get her, but had about despaired. Those who attended the Assembly last summer and heard Miss Williams will agree with Dr. Hurt that a treat is in store for those who attend this year.

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INVITATIONS ISSUED FOR HODGES-BROADWAY WEDDING

Invitations reading as follows have been received by friends in Wilmington:

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Broadway
invite you to be present
at the marriage of their daughter
Willie Mae
to
Mr. Ralph Waldo Hodges
on Thursday, March the first
Nineteen hundred and seventeen
Seven o'clock in the evening
406 Vernon Avenue
Kinston, North Carolina
At Home after March the tenth
Wilmington, North Carolina.

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LADIES' AID SOCIETY OF SOUTHSIDE ELECTS OFFICERS

The Ladies' Aid Society of Southside Baptist church met at the church Monday and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. W. M. Bryant.
First Vice President—Mrs. W. C. Moore.
Second Vice President—Mrs. C. H. Kohler.
Secretary—Mrs. J. M. McLaughlin.
Treasurer—Mrs. J. B. Fales.
Pianist—Mrs. W. G. Hall
Assistant Pianist—Mrs. H. G. Bass.
Reporter—Mrs. J. M. Shinn.

The society is planning to make this the best year of its history and starts out with most pleasing prospects

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ARE CANVASSING FOR THE NATIONAL SPECIAL AID

The canvassing of the city by the Wilmington chapter of the National Special Aid Society is making fine progress and the outlook is most promising, according to the reports that have been received. It is necessary to begin work on the register by the middle of the week and each canvasser is urgently requested to turn in her information as soon as possible. The committee appreciates the fact that after the canvassers often have to make three or even four attempts to see the same person before obtaining the interview desired, but as none of the work of arranging departments can be done until the information is in, the committee feels justified in asking for a little self sacrifice.

The canvassers are asked to make lists as complete as possible before turning them in. The members would be very sorry to omit the name of anyone and realize that no one would like to feel that she had not been given an opportuntiy to offer some patriotic service. They know this to be true because wherever they have gone they have heard the same sentiment, "All that I am and have personally, as well as the liberty I enjoy politically I owe to my country and no sacrifice is too great for me to make to keep conditions favorable for my family and for those who will come after me."

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE TO PLAY 112 GAMES THIS YEAR.

Newark, N. J., Feb. 16.—The International League baseball season will open April 17 with Rochester playing at Richmond; Buffalo at Newark; Montreal at Providence, and Toronto at Baltimore, according to the schedule adopted at the league meeting here today. A schedule of 112 games was arranged and will be made public February 26. All of the clubs were represented.

An inter-league series of 48 games with the American Association clubs was approved, and now awaits ratification by the association at its annual meeting in Kansas City February 24.

—The many friends of Mr. Harry Payne, of the Payne Drug Co., who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at the James Walker Memorial hospital, will be glad to know that he was able to return to his home yesterday.

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LOCAL DOTS

—The colored Y. M. C. A. will hold a meeting at Central Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The public is invited.

—Rev. J. S. Crowley will preach Sunday and Sunday night at New Hope Presbyterian church. Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock he will preach in the Sullivan neighborhood in Brunswick county.

—Mr. W. R. Barksdale, who recently moved from Wilmington to New York city and is assistant general manager of the Argentine Mercantile Corporation, is highly pleased with his new position, according to a letter to a friend in this city.

CRUSADE AGAINST GAMBLING

Six White Men Arrested on Warrants Sworn Out Before Justice McGowan—War On Punchboards.

A crusade against gambling and alleged gambling devices has been inaugurated by Justice W. A. McGowan and as a result of his first day of activity in this direction warrants were served on six white men of Wilmington, charged with gambling and another warrant on the manager of a cigar store for operating a game of chance or lottery with a punchboard. All were allowed to give bonds and their trials will probably come o.. early next week.

Justice McGowan carefully refrained from commenting on the nature of the evidence against the men on whom the warrant were served, but the affidavits were sworn out by Deputy Sheriff Chas. Keen on "information and belief."

The rooms in which the alleged gambling is said to have taken place is on the second floor of the building on the northwest corner of Purcell alley and Second street. After the warrants were served, County Officer H. Mack Godwin, accompanied by Messrs. John McIlhenny and H. Finberg, who are charged with running a gambling house, visited the quarters and found a large table, a bed and other furniture ordinarily found in living apartments.

Mr. McIlhenny was required to give bond in the sum of $500 and Mr. Finberg a bond of $250 while Messrs. Frank Banks, Bunk Brady, Joe Goldberg and W. E. Watson, charged with gambling, gave bond of $50 each. The warrants were served by Constable John H. Davis.

Mr. Rowland Moody, manager of the United Cigar Store, was required to give bond of $50 for his appearance to answer to a charge of operating a game of chance with a punchboard. This device provides that by paying five cents one gets a chance from nothing up to several cigars. Mr. Moody has been operating the boards under instructions from the National headquarters of the concern.

FREE FERRY AND BETTER TRAIN SERVICE NEEDED

J. Bayard Clark, Esq., Tells of Advantages to Bladen County.

When Wilmington has a free ferry and a better train service, then will come a growth that will surprise her residents, according to J. Bayard Clerk, of Elizabethtown, on the upper Cape Fear. In Bladen the county spends $1,800 each year for free ferriage and the farmers who goes to town to sell his goods does not have to pay the profit of his toll for ferry charges.

In addition to the ferry toll evacted when they come through the country, Mr. Clark explains, if they come by rail Bladenites have to suffer the inconvenience of getting into Wilmington at midnight and departing before day, taking away all the pleasure of a trip to this city.

Business flourishes in Bladen, Mr. Clark pointed out, and the efficient banking houses of Wilmington are fine channels for their surplus money to run through and Wilmington markets a delightful place to trade, yet they have to undergo great inconveniences to enjoy these privileges.

TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM HAS "FAILED" AT CRITICAL PERIOD

Lumber Men Seek Relief Through Interstate Commerce Commission.

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 16.—Resolutions adopted at a meeting here today of the directors of the Southern Hardwood Traffic Association, called to consider action regarding the existing embargo in effect on northern and eastern railroads, declares that "the transportation system of the country has failed at a time when the nation is facing a critical period in its history."

The resolutions urge the Interstate Commerce Commission to take such immediate action, however drastic, as may be necessary in its judgment to afford prompt relief and insure to the American public a transportation system adequate to meet the commercial and military necessities of the nation.

The membership of the association represents 120 manufacturing concerns, shipping normally over 250,000 cars of forest products annually and employing approximately 15,000 laborers. The directors at the meeting today said complete shut-down must occur unless relief is given very soon.

WOULD CREATE NEW STATE FROM "PANHANDLE" COUNTIES

Consideration For Stateship Would Be Payment of the "Virginia Debt"

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 16.—A resolution was introduced in the West Virginia house of delegates today to create a new state from the counties of Ohio, Brooke, Hancock and Marshall with a view of thereby providing sufficient revenue to pay the Virginia debt judgment. The four counties have an area of 583 square miles. The resolution provides that the four counties known as the Panhandle counties, pay the $12,000,000 debt judgment by a bond issue in consideration for separate stateship.

—Among the arrivals at the Hotel Wilmington yesterday were: J. E. Schott, Charlotte; J. E. McLaughen, King's Mountain; M. W. Arnolds, Lumberton; J. P. Brown, Charlotte, and M. W. Williams, Charlotte.

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COUNTY FAIR AGAIN PLEASES

Another Large Audience Greeted Second Performance of the Caberet de Rotare Last Night.

The Rotary County Fair was presented at the Academy of Music for the second time last night before a large and appreciative audience, again met with a good reception. The performers got away with their several parts in a way that is seldom seen in amateur theatricals.

While the caberet scene was probably the favorite act on the programme with a large part of the audience, it was more likely because of the fact that it was distinctly sprinkled with fair damsels, rather than from any lack of ability displayed by those in the other acts.

The toe dance by little Miss Margaret Waldron was one of the distinct hits of the evening, and one that took the audience by storm. This little lady went through the difficult evolutions with the skill and grace of a finished artist and the audience was quick to realize it. The Bogie Song also went well with the crowd.

With Frank Banks on hand last night to complete the "Big Six," it looked like old times when Sam Matthews, the interlocutor, took charge of the proceedings in the minstrel show. The buck and wing dancing received the same cordial welcome they always do in Wilmington.

In the county fair scene, Cyrus Hogue ngawed that cigar with a perfect circus style that would make any specier feel a touch of resentment, while Claude Cashwell again made good as a circus barker. Mr. Marion Harriss as "Aunt Mary" and W. W. Wood as "Uncle Jake" were right there with the goods, according to the dialect of the saw dust ring. Miss Catherine Williams as "Giggling Sal" and Green Fenley, Jr., and Miss Florence Taylor as the 'bride and groom" was another excellent feature.

The children, too, went through their parts with a snap and vim that added not a little towards making the numbers they appeared in a success. As a whole the Rotary Club and all those who assisted them in presenting the entertainment are to be congratulated on the work of the Cabaret de Rotare.

While partic ular credit is due the members of the cast for their splendid work, there were a number of Rotarians behind the scenes so to speak who did yeoman work. Secretary Meares Harriss was general chairman in charge and President Roger Moore spent a great deal of time in looking after the different details. Both these officers were untiring in their efforts to promote the success of the entertainment.

Especial credit is due to Messrs. J. B. Rice and C. W. Polvogt, of the program committee; Mr. M. A. Curtis, of the talent committee; T. R. Ames, property man; Messrs. W. I. Baxter and W. M. Atkinson, of the prize committee, and Mr. John R. Murchison, of the advertising committee.

RED SOX AND TIGERS WIN

Americans and Athletics Defeated in Two Fast Basketball Games at Y. M. C. A. Last Night.

In the first game last night between the Red Sox and the Athletics, the former won by a score of 25 to 17; in the second game between the Tigers and the Americans, the Tigers were victors by the score of 33 to 22.

The first game was featured by the Red Sox good team work, and the individual work of Rich, Ruark and Gerdes. Farrar and Rhodes were bright stars of the second game.

Red Sox		Athletics
Farmer	F	Fillyaw
Ruark	F	N.Daxis
Rich	C	Gerdes
K.Davis	G	McManus
Kelly	G	Betts

Goals—Ruark 6, Rich 3, K. Davis 1, Kelly 1, Fillyaw 1, N. Davis 1, Gerdes 5. Four goals—Ruark 3, N. Davis 1.

Americans		Tigers
Little	F	Applewhite
Myers	F	Rhodes
Houston	F	
Hardee	C	Farrar
Gallagher	G	Stein
Solomon	G	LeGwin
	G	Huband

Goals—Little 2, Myers 3, Hardee 4, Gallagher 1, Houston 1, Applewhite 1, Rhodes 5, Farrar 5, Stein 3, LeGwin 1. Fouls—Farrar 3.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: R. S. Cox, Mt. Olive; G. T. Morgan, East Arcadia; W. S. Garrett, Elizabethtown; S. Samuels, Raleigh; J. L. Picknell, Kenansville; J. F. Wodward, Warsaw, and H. R. Krihbill, New Bern.

SUNDAY SERVICES

First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. John M. Wells, D. D., pastor.—Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 8. Rev. W. T. Moss, of Chapel Hill, will conduct both services. Sunday school at 9:45. Christian Endeavor in the evening at 7. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. Pews are free and all are cordially invited to attend all services.

Delgado Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, pastor.—Services tomorrow evening at 7:30, conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 11 in the morning. Mid-week service Thursday evening at 7:30. Visitors will find a hearty welcome at the services.

Winter Park Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, pastor.—Services Sabbath morning at 11 o'clock, conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 3:30. Mid-week service Wednesday evening at 7:45. At 7:15 tomorrow evening a special meeting will be held for the purpose of organizing a Christian Endeavor Society. Friends visiting the church will receive a hearty welcome.

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church—Fourth and Cambell streets. Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D. paster. Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M. Junior Christian Endeavor at 4:30 P. M. Intermediate and Senior C. E. at 7:15 P. M. Prayer meeting, Wednesday at 8 P. M. Seats free. All welcome.

Pearsal Memorial Presbyterian Church, East Wilmington. Rev. H. W. Koelling Pastor. Sabbath School at 10:30 A. M. Preaching at 11:15 A. M. Chmristian Endeavor at 7:30 P. M. Prayer meeting, Wednesday at 7:30 P. M. A welcome for all.

Harnett Street Mission. Eighth and Harnett streets. Rev. W. M. Baker Evangelist in charge. Sabbath School at 9:30 A. M. Preaching each Second and Fourth Babbaths at 7:30 P. M.

AN UNPOPULAR STATEMENT.

Money is "An Unsatisfactory Standard of Success."

An editorial in the current issue of Farm and Fireside says:

"Money is a poor measure of men, an unsatisfactory standard of success. It may be as false as a 30-inch yardstick, a 7-quart peck, or an 11-ounce pound. It may cause the most selfish farmer, one who is in fact a failure, to be looked upon as a notable success. So it is unfortunate that there is no generally accepted standard by which agricultural worth and success may be reduced to and reckoned in easily understood terms of value.

"It is exceedingly difficult adequately to measure or guage country-life values. On the other hand, it is easy to estimate, in terms generally understood, the number of acres in a field, or to arrive at the weight of a fat steer or hog. Furthermore, who is there who would presume to measure the worth of high citizenship, of community leadership, or to reduce to terms of dollars and cents the glory of shade trees, the beauty of valley and hill and prairie, or of the wild flowers of springtime and autumn?

"For the discouraged man or woman on the farm, those whose accomplishments may not loom large when measured in money or in the generally accepted terms of efficiency and success, there may be causes for congratulation. It is not always easy to separate the dross from the gold."

Last Appeal For Funds.

As previously announced, the grand rally of Central colored Baptist church wkill be held tomorrow. Rev. D. B. Mdodana, the pastor, will preach and will be assisted by Rev. J. A. Kirkland, D. D. It is hoped to raise $500 and members of friends contributing as much as $2.50 will be awarded a church diploma. The church commencement will be held on February 27th and Rev. Dr. John Jeter Hurt, pastor of the First Baptist church, has kindly consented to deliever the commencement address and to deliver the diplomas. At 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Revs. Moore, McKnight, Wilson and Madison and thtir congregations have been invited to attend. All members are requested to be on hand.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON MARKET UNSETTLED

Continued Nervousness Over Shipping Conditions—Quotations 7 Points Higher to 6 Lower.

New York, Feb. 16.—The cotton market was irregular today with May fluctuating between 15.79 and 16.06 closing at 15.93 and with the general list closing steady net 7 points higher to 6 points lower. Declines during the middle of the day reflected continued nervousness over shipping conditions while a steadier tone developed later on reports that war risk insurance rates to the United Kingdom were lower and there were rallies of 19 to 20 points from the lowest.

The market opened steady at an advance of 5 to 16 points in sympathy with higher Liverpool cables but soon turned easier under scattering liquidation and local pressure. For a time prices were pretty well sustained but after the close abroad the market weakened. March sold off from 15.95 to 15.66 under liquidation of long accounts in preparations for notices next week. After showing net losses of about 14 to 21 points with July selling at 15.85 and October at 15.40 the market steadied. Prices sold a shade over last night's closing figures in the late trading, closing slightly off from the best under realizing.

	Open	High	Low	Close
March.	15.93	15.93	15.66	15.79
May	16.02	16.06	15.79	15.93
July.	16.03	16.09	15.85	16.00
October. . . .	15.70	15.70	15.45	15.59
December. . . .	15.79	15.78	15.61	15.73

Spot, steady; middling 15.95.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 17.19; receipts 3,856; sales 1,940; stock 428,525.

Galveston—Middling 16.25; receipts 5,683; sales 362; stock 284,000.

Mobile—Middling 16.00; receipts 200; stock 13,459.

Savannah—Middling 15.50; receipts 212; stock 180,586.

Charleston—Receipts 161; stock 55,394.

Wilmington—Middling 16.35; receipts 35; stock 53,023.

Norfolk—Middling 16.25; receipts 393; sales 733; stock 99,908.

Baltimore—Receipts 2,234; stock 13,651.

Boston—Middling 15.85; receipts 352; exports 200; stock 12,787.

Philadelphia—Middling 16.20; receipts 65; stock 2,171.

New York—Middling 15.95; receipts 84; exports 4,400; sales 1,400; stock 163,192.

Mihor Ports—Receipts 5,468; exports 2,771; stock 60,046.

Atlanta (weekly)—Stock 73,824.

Total today—Receipts 18,743; exports 7,371; stock 1,365,642.

Total for week—Receipts 90,325; exports 96,452.

Total for season—Receipts 5,754,125; exports 3,919,837.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 16.05; receipts 4,288; shipments 5,595; sales 714; stock 153,779.

Memphis—Middling 17.00; receipts 1,574; shipments 951; sales 500; stock 548,489.

Augusta—Middling 16.38; receipts 190; shipments 133; sales 35; stock 122,215.

St. Louis—Middling 17.00; receipts 825; shipments 671; stock 30,943.

Cincinnati—Receipts 200; shipments 260; stock 23,404.

Little Rock—Middling 17.00; receipts 706; shipments 18; stock 38,533.

Dallas—Middling 17.75; sales 982.

Montgomery—Middling 16.50.

Total today—Receipts 7,785; shipments 7,628; stock 722,363.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Trend of Prices Is Upward With the Close at 1 to 3 Points Gain

New Orleans, La., Feb. 16.—Although the cotton market at times today showed a net decline the general trend was to slightly higher levels, chiefly as the result of what bullish traders called the sound technical position. Last prices were steady at a net gain of 1 to 3 points. At their highest the trading months were 6 to 15 points over yesterday's close and at their lowest 12 to 15 points under.

Better cables than due helped the early trading but towards the middle of the day prices were off under the poor outlook for export business and the continued unfavorable nature of political news. In the afternoon the market went back to the highest levels when sellers tried to cover their cotton over-night. It was a day of small business and uncertain sentiment Closing bid:

March 15.56; May 15.55; July 15.58; October 15.13; December 15.25.

Spot, nominal and unchanged. Sales on the spot 12.40 bales; to arrive 700; middling 17.19.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 16.—Spot cotton easier; good middling 10.96; middling 10.86; low middling 10.68. Sales 8,000 bales; 1,000 for speculation and export; receipts 25,000 bales.

Futures quiet: February 10.31; February and March 10.28; March and April 10.26; April and May 10.21; May and June 10.18; June and July 10.13; July and August 10.09; August and September, 9.97; September and October 9.63; October and November 9.50; November and December, 9.33; December and January 9.40; January and February 9.38; February and March 9.38.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Feb. 16.—Beeves, firm; steers 5.75 to 11.45; fat oxen 10.10; bulls 6.50 to 10.50; cows 4.50 to 8.40.

Calves—Steady; veals 12.00 to 16.50; culls 9.00 to 11.50; barnyard calves 6.00 to 7.50; fed calves 8.00 to 10.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Strong; lambs 14.50 to 15.65.

Hogs—Firm; light to heavy 12.25 to 12.90; roughs 11.25.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Hogs, firm; early decline of 5c mostly regained; bulk 12.10 to 12.35; light 11.90 to 12.25; mixed 11.95 to 12.40; heavy 11.95 to 12.45; rough 11.95 to 12.05; pigs 9.40 to 10.65.

Cattle—Steady; native beef cattle 7.35 to 12.00; stockers and feeders 5.25 to 9.25; cows and heifers 3.25 to 10.40; calves 9.75 to 14.00.

Sheep—Weak; wethers 11.00 to 12.00; ewes 8.50 to 11.75; lambs 12.40 to 14.75.

WEEKLY COTTON REVIEW

Market Much Less Active and the Undertone Steadier—Moderate Demand From Traders

New York, Feb. 16.—While showing continued nervousness and irregularity, the cotton market has been much less active during the past week and the undertone has been steadier. A more optimstic view of the effect of the submarine campaign on shipping and political conditions, has had a tendency to check selling. There has been a moderate demand from trade sources.

After selling off to 15.40 on the setback of the previous week, May sold up to 16.56 at the opening on Wednesday, making an advance of over $13 per bale since the break in diplomatic relations with Germany was announced and of $20 per bale from the low level touched on February 1. The heavy domestic mill consumption for January and expectations that heavy government purchases would stimulate the goods trade, were factors on the advance, but the improvement was considered largely in the way of readjustment between contract and spot values. Fluctuations since then have been irregular with the market disturbed by rumors of a temporary embargo on imports into Great Britain and apprehensions that freight congestion in this country would also cause a delay in distribution. Private cables received during the week reported further restrictions upon trading in Liverpool. Reports of delayed new crop preparations as a result of unfavorable weather helped to steady the later months. March contracts were relatively firm during the middle of the week but later eased off under liquidation in preparation for notices next week.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Cherokee, Bunnell, Georgetown; C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,288 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 16.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—48.

ROSIN—$5.60, $5.35.

TAR—$2.75-12c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, nominal; tar, $2.15-9c.; crude turpentine, $3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine .....(—)
Rosin .....(—)
Tar 36
Crude Turpentine .....(—)

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 34 barrels; crude turpentine, (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—16¾c.; same day last year, 11½c.

Receipts—55 bales; same day last year, 90 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 77,275 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 146,603 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

February 16, 1917.

Atlantic Coast Line—53 bales cotton; 36 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—2 bales cotton.

Total—55 bales cotton; 36 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Purchase price quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 16.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 70c to 80c bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22 1-2c; first class wool, 20c. to 35c.; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

HIDES—Green, salt, 18c. to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 25c.; sides and shoulders, 25c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c. to 22½c. on foot; dressed, 25c. to 27½c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c. to 50c.; spring, 20c. to 25c. head.

EGGS—Dull, 32c to 34c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 16.—North Carolina peanuts, new crop, farmers' stock, fancy hand-picked, $1.15; No. 1, machine, $1.12 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.25; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 16.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market steady, $1.50 per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock—Market steady. Fancy Jumbo 4½c per lb.; Extra Prime, 4¼c per lb.; Prime, 4c per lb.; Shelling Stock, 3 to 3¾c per lb.

LIVERPOOL COTTON STATISTICS.

Liverpool, Feb. 16.—Weekly cotton statistics: Total forwarded to mills 86,000 bales, of which 10,000 were American; stock 883,000, American 742,000 imports 102,000, American 65,000; exports 14,260.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Feb. 16.—Raw sugar, nominal; centrifugal 5.40; molasses 4.51; refined, firm.

Butter and Cheese—Firm.

Coffee—Spot steady; Rio 7s, 10c; Santos 4s, 10½c.

STOCKS SHOW IMPROVEMENT

Favorable Over-Night Developments Inspire Traders to Cover on Short Contracts

New York, Feb. 16.—Traders were again in sole possession of the market today which was marked by covering of short contracts on the more encouraging developments over-night. Chief among these was the action taken by the leading transportation lines to relieve freight congestion.

Conditions in Mexico and Cuba also were regarded with less apprehension. Steamship issues evinced some relaxation of recent pressure and metals responded to reports of further inquiries for the refined product.

United States Steel moved within a radius of 1 1-8 points and closed at a net gain of a point. Coppers and shippings fluctuated at extreme gains of 1to 3 points, Texas Company making a gross advance of 5 1-4 points and New York Airbrake was 7 1-2 points higher at its best. Mackay companies, local tractions and gas issues hardened 1 to 2 points and motors were represented at similar advances by Studebaker and General Motors. American Snuff rose 7 points on publication of the annual report.

In the railway division New York Central, Chicago and Northwestern common and preferred, Louisville and Nashville, and Dencer and Rio Grande preferred at gains of 1 to 3 points were offset by more moderate recessions in Union Pacific, Canadian Pacific, Reading, Lehigh Valley adn New Haven, the latter at the new low record of 36 3-4.

Bonds were irregular but standard issues were firm. Total sales, par value, $2,440,000.

United States coupon 3's fell 1-4 per cent. on call. Registered 2's and 4's declined 3-4 and 1-8 per cent. respectively on actual sales.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers	24½
American Beet Sugar, ex div.	89
American Can	43
American Car & Foundry	62
American Cotton Oil	41
American Locomotive	69½
American Smelting	97
American Sugar	108¼
American Tel. & Tel.	124½
American Tobacco	207
American Zinc	36⅛
Anaconda Copper	76
Atchison	102⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	111⅛
Baldwin Locomotive	52¼
Baltimore & Ohio	75⅞
Bethlehem Steel	380
Canadian Pacific	152
Central Leather	85⅝
Chesapeake & Ohio	59
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	80¼
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry.	26⅜
Colorado Fuel & Iron	44⅝
Consolidated Gas	122
Corn Products	21¼
Crucible Steel	64⅞
Cuba Cane Sugar	40⅜
Erie	26⅛
General Electric	164½
Great Northern pfd	112⅝
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	31⅜
Goodrich	55
Illinois Central	101½
Inspiration Copper	55½
Int. Mer. Marine pfd	69½
International Nickel	41
International Paper	38
Kansas City Southern	21¼
Kennecott Copper	43¼
Lehigh Valley	71½
Louisville & Nashville	126
Liggett & Myers	258
Lorillard Co.	200
Maxwell Motors	54¾
Mexican Petroleum	86¾
National Lead	54½
New York Central	95
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford	37½
Norfolk & Western	128⅞
Northern Pacific	103
Pennsylvania	54⅝
Ray Consolidated Copper	25⅝
Reading	91¾
Republic Iron & Steel	74¾
Seaboard Air Line	14⅝
Seaboard Air Line pfd	33
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	57
Studebaker Corporation	103
Southern Pacific	93⅝
Southern Railway	28⅝
Southern Railway pfd	62½
Tennessee Copper	15¼
Texas Company	221
Union Pacific	137½
United Fruit	139
United States Rubber	53
United States Steel	105⅝
United States Steel pfd	117½
Utah Copper	107⅝
Virginia Caro. Chem.	37½
Wabash pfd "B"	25
Western Union	93⅜
Westinghouse Electric	50¼
Missouri Pacific w.i.	28

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Pessimism Over Exports Causes Wheat Prices to Go Down.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Renewal of pessimism regarding the outlook for any immediate revival of export business had a bearish influence today on wheat. The market closed weak ⅝ to 1½ net lower with May at 1.73⅜ to 1.73¾, and July at 1.48 to 1.48¼. Corn lost ⅛ to ⅝@¾ and oats ⅛ to ⅜. Provisions finished at a range varying from 5c decline to a rise of 2½.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May 1.73⅜; July 1.48.

Corn—May 1.01; July 99⅜.

Oats—May 56⅝; July 54½.

Pork—May 29.95; July 29.30.

Lard—May 16.70; July 16.82.

Ribs—May 15.75; July 15.85.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red, nominal; No. 3 red 1.75 to 1.76½; No. 2 hard 1.80; No. 3 hard, nominal.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, nominal; No. 4 yellow 99 to 1.00¾; No. 4 white 99¼ to 1.00¼.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 16.—Easier crude markets and increased pressure on nearby deliveries resulted in a moderate decline in cotton seed oil early, but a slight rally took place near the close on short covering and with the late steadiness in lard and cotton. Final prices were 3 to 8 points net lower. Tenders were 200 barrels; sales 8,700 barrels.

Close steady: Spot 12.45 bid; February 12.49 to 12.70; March 12.45 to 12.49; April 12.15 to 12.20; May 12.18 to 12.20; June 12.16 to 12.22; July 12.16 to 12.18; August 12.15 to 12.17; September 12.06 to 12.10.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 17, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 41 degrees; at 8 P. M., 49 degrees; maximum, 55 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees; mean, 48 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .39 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 6 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Fair and warmer Saturday; Sunday probably rain.

The Port Calendar, Feb. 17, 1917.

Sun rises .....6:55 A. M.
Sun sets .....5:58 P. M.
Day's length .....11 hrs. 3 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water.		Low water.	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	5:55	6:09	12:33	1:27
Southport	3:23	3:41	10:05	10:16
Masonboro Inlet	3:12	3:30	9:45	9:56

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 16, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.
Abilene	clear	58	34	.0
Asheville	clear	46	28	.0
Atlanta	clear	54	30	.0
Augusta	clear	58	36	.0
Baltimore	cldy	40	..	.0
Birmingham	clear	58	30	.0
Boston	clear	38	20	.0
Charleston	clear	58	42	.0
Charlotte	clear	54	32	.0
Chicago	cldy	34	26	.01
Galveston	cldy	56	48	.0
Jaxville	clear	62	42	.0
Memphis	clear	56	36	.0
Mobile	pt cldy	56	38	.0
Montgomery	clear	58	32	.0
N. Orleans	clear	64	44	.0
New York	clear	34	22	.02
Oklahoma	clear	58	32	.0
Palestine	cldy	60	38	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	30	18	.04
Raleigh	clear	52	34	.01
Savannah	clear	58	42	.0
Shreveport	cldy	60	40	.0
St. Louis	clear	52	30	.0
Washington	cldy	42	28	.0

HESTER'S WEEKLY STATEMENT.

Comparisons are to actual dates, not to close of corresponding weeks. in thousands bales.

In sight for week, 163.

In sight same seven days last year, 274.

In sight for the month, 427.

In sight same date last year, 585.

In sight for season, 10,566.

In sight same date last year, 9,567.

Port receipts for season, 5,754.

Port receipts same date last year, 5,381.

Overland to mills and Canada for season, 1,020.

Overland same date last year, 841.

Southern mill takings for season, 3,115.

Southern mill takings same date last year, 2,635.

Interior stocks in excess of August 1st, 677.

Interior stocks last year, 710.

Foreign exports for week, 94.

Foreign exports same seven days last year, 215.

Foreign exports for season, 3,920.

Foreign exports same date last year, 3,209.

Northern spinners' takings and Canada for week, 38.

Northern spinners' takings same seven days last year, 88.

Northern spinners' takings for season, 1,986.

Northern spinners' takings to same date last year, 2,032.

Statement of World's Visible Supply:

Total visible this week, 5,120.

Total visible last week, 5,223.

Total visible same date last year, 5,839.

Of this the total American this week, 3,995.

Total American last week 4,052.

Total visible last year, 4,280.

All other kinds this week, 1,124.

All other kinds last year, 1,171.

All other kinds last year, 1,558.

Visible in the United States this week, 2,363.

Visible in the United States this date last year, 2,694.

Visible in other countries this week, 2,757.

Visible in other countries this date last year, 2,145.

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW.

New York, Feb. 16.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

"Despite many drawbacks, chief of these being partially blockaded by foreign trade, unprecedented railway congestion, threatening public food and fuel supplies and very cold, stormy weather, the country's trade continues large—heavier than a year ago at this date, in fact. This is, of course, especially true of spring trade, which is secure beyond peradventure, except where delays in shipping threaten to further retard deliveries of urgently required goods. Retail trade, save where given a spur by the coldest weather of the winter, is rather less active, though concededly better than a year ago. It is in the matter of far-future trade and in industrial operations that retarding or disorganizing effects are most evident, and here the dominant note as regards future buying is one of conservatism, pending a clearer view of the outcome of international unsettlement and the possible effects on prices if the trouble should result in war.

"Weekly exchanges $4,717,708,000."

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 16.—Mercantile paper 4 to 4¼ per cent. Sterling, 60 day bills 4.72¼; commercial 60 day bills on banks 4.72¼; commercial 60 day bills 4.72; demand 4.73⅜; cables 4.76 7-16. Bar silver 78⅝; Mexican dollars 60⅞. Government bonds easy; railroad bonds, irregular. Time loans easier, 60 and 90 days 3¾ to 4; six months 4. Call money steady; ruling rate 2¼.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 16.—Gray cotton goods were steady today. Some bleached cottons were reduced for the distribution of stocks, notice being given of an advance to take effect Monday. Colored cottons were firm. Wool markets were strong with rising prices. Ready-to-wear manufacturers were moderately busy on short notice orders.

THROUGH SLEEPING CARS TO RALEIGH.

Through sleeping cars are now operated between Wilmington and Raleigh, daily, except Sunday, on the following schedules:

3:20 A.M. Lv.	Wilmington	Ar.	1:15 A.M.
6:15 A.M. Ar.	Goldsboro	Lv.	10:25 P.M.
6:45 A.M. Lv.	Goldsboro	Ar.	9:25 P.M.
7:40 A.M. Ar.	Selma	Lv.	8:38 P.M.
8:52 A.M. Ar.	Raleigh	Lv.	7:25 P.M.

Sleepers will be open to receive passengers after 10:00 P M., and may be occupied, southbound, until 7:00 A. M.

For reservations and further information

'Phone 160.

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The Standard Railroad of the South.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 16.—Turpentine firm, 48c; sales 201; receipts 16; shipments 297; stock 14,693.

Rosin—Firm; sales 109; receipts 582; shipments 240; stock 79,791. Quote: A B C D E F G, 6.00; H I K M, 6.20; N, 6.40; WG, 6.50; WW, 6.75.

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Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective Feb. 5th, 1917. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90 3:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound until 7:00 A. M.	No. 91 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 48 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 8:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 63 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington; connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.
No. 57 7:00 P. M. Daily except Sunday	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate points.	No. 58 9:25 A. M. Daily except Sunday

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

T. C. WHITE, Passenger Traffic Manager. W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter P'rk	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsv'le	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsv'le for Wilmington	Leave Winter P'rk for Wilmington
*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	.....	*6:15 A.M.	*6:26 A.M.
16:30 A.M.	16:30 A.M.	x16:30 A.M.	z7:05 A.M.	7:15 A.M.	7:26 A.M.
*6:50 A.M.	*6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	*7:20 A.M.	*7:31 A.M.
*8:00 A.M.	*8:00 A.M.	.....	*7:40 A.M.	*7:50 A.M.	*8:01 A.M.
*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	.....	*8:30 A.M.	*8:41 A.M.
18:30 A.M.	18:30 A.M.	x18:30 A.M.	z9:05 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	9:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	*9:15 A.M.	*9:25 A.M.	*9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	.....	10:20 A.M.	10:31 A.M.
11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
*1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	x*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
01:55 P.M.	01:55 P.M.	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:55 P.M.	12:06 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	.....	z*1:45 P.M.	*1:50 P.M.	*2:01 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	*2:25 P.M.	*2:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	03:00 P.M.	03:11 P.M.
04:10 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	03:50 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
04:50 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	04:30 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	05:10 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	x6:40 P.M.	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	z7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

SPECIAL FOR SUNDAYS

Leave Front and Princess streets every half hour from 2 to 5 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 o 5:45 P. M.

*—Daily except Sunday.
†—Sundays only.
x—Does not run beyond Station No. 3.
z—Leaves from Station No. 3.
o—Superceded by half hour schedule Sunday afternoon.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE (DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.)

Leave Ninth and Orange Streets, 3:30 P. M.
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Steamship Cherokee, Fri., Feb. 23rd.

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DEPARTURE OF TRAINS FROM WILMINGTON

No 13.—3:55 P. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR, WILMINGTON TO CHARLOTTE.

No 19—5:00 A. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND CHARLOTTE. Open at 10:00 P. M. for Passengers.

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AT WILMINGTON:

No. 14—12:30 P. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON.

No. 20—12:10 A. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON. PASSENGERS MAY REMAIN IN SLEEPER UNTIL 7:30 A. M.

For detailed information and reservations, call on City Ticket Agent, Orton Building. 'Phone 178.

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Proportionate Fares from Other Points on the ATANTIC COAST LINE, "The Standard Railroad of the South."

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The Progressive Railway of the South. Bulletin of Special Round-Trip Rates from Wilmington, N. C.

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On sale June 15, 16, 17; limited returning Midnight June 25th. Stop-over any point.

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On sale April 10 to 15th inclusive; limited returning midnight April 30th.

NEW ORLEANS, LA. $28.75
On sale May 11 to 16th, inclusive; limited returning midnight, limit extended to June 15th on payment $1.00.

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On sale February 18, 19, 20; limited returning midnight February 25th.

NEW ORLEANS, LA. $28.75
On sale March 11, 12, 13; limited returning midnight March 21st.

WASHINGTON, D. C. $13.20
On sale March 1, 2, 3, 4, limited returning midnight March 10th; limit extended to April 10th on payment $1.00.

ATLANTA, GA. $13.95
On sale January 31, Feb. 3, 10, 11, 12 and 14th, limited returning midnight February 20th.

MOBILE, ALA. $24.55
On sale Feb. 12 to 19, inclusive, limited returning midnight, March 2nd, limit extended to March 19th, on payment of $1.00.

PENSACOLA, FLA. $23.45
On sale Feb. 12 to 19, inclusive, limited returning midnight, March 2nd; limit extended to March 19th, on payment $1.00.

NEW ORLEANS, LA. $28.75
On sale Feb. 12 to 19th, inclusive; limited returning midnight, March 2nd; limit extended to March 19th, on payment $1

STEPS TO PREVENT ANY MORE 'LEAK'

Stock Exchange Condemns Employment of Newspaper Men to Give Information

"J. L. L." MYSTERY SOLVED

Jesse L. Livermore Was the Man. Whipple Says it Has Now Been Settled as to Source of "Leak" and Who Profited By It.

New York, Feb. 16.—Measures aimed to prevent a recurrence of the President's peace note "leak" incident were voluntarily taken here today by the New York stock exchange. Resolutions were adopted at a special meeting of the board of governors condemning the employment by exchange brokerage houses of newspaper men to give them advance or confidential information.

"The direct or indirect employment of representatives of the press," the resolution said, "by a member of the New York stock exchange, or by his firm for the purpose of obtaining advance or confidential information is an act detrimental to the interests or welfare of the exchange."

The resolutions pointed out that the investigation of the House rules committee in the "leak" brought out that certain members of the exchange employed newspaper men for that purpose. This referred to evidence adduced at Washington that E. F. Hutton & Company, brokers, received advance information from a newspaper man employed by F. A. Connolly & Company, the Hutton firm's Washington correspondent, enabling them and their customers to anticipate the break in the market that resulted when the note was made public.

The "J. L. L." mentioned in testimony yesterday was definitely established today as being Jesse L. Livermore, a well known speculator. The testimony showed that "J. L. L." was carrying at the time of the "leak" a $7,000,000 or $8,000,000 short interest. Oliver Harriman, broker, the witness who told of this account, refused to divulge the owner's name.

Sherman S. Whipple, counsel of the committee, said there was no evidence to connect Mr. Livermore with the "leak."

Mr. Whipple today asserted that the "atmosphere has been cleared, it has been demonstrated to a nicety where the advance information on the peace note came from, and who profited by it."

The stock brokerage firm of E. F. Hutton & Company, he said, and its customers were among the beneficiaries of the "leak" which he declared has been definitely fixed as coming from the two Washington newspaper correspondents.

"The question as to whether any action would be taken against F. A. Connolly, of F. A. Connolly & Company, Washington correspondents of the Hutton Company, for swearing that it was he alone who had sent the advance information when it was later proved to have been sent by J. Fred Essary, one of the newspaper men, would be taken up by the House committee in executive session in Washington, Mr. Whipple said.

Mr. Whipple added that the investigation has developed there is a deep feeling by the public in regard to short selling, but that it was not a subject the committee will deal with in its report.

FOOD CONDITIONS IN GERMANY CAN HARDLY IMPROVE

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he Germans must pull in their belts a otch tighter and reconcile themselves holding out on present allowances. he food expert of New Colone, one of he municipalities of Great Berlin, stated recently ,in fact, that the current llowances of meat, fat, bread and potaes for working men engaged in heavp bor and men that so employed required a supplementary allowance which, however, the factories managed usually to supply in order to maintain production.

People Holding Out Well

So far the people of Germany are holding out well, though with a great deal of grumbling in urban and industrial regions, where conditions are worst. The German people are still well disciplined and for the present are not apt to give way to pressure and abandon the war, in which they now feel they are standing with their backs to the wall with no alternative except to fight out the struggle for national existence.

The government has had no trouble of moment in keeping citizens to the mark and "food riots" reported from time to time in the foreign press are either inventions or evaggerated accounts of unimportant demonstrations.

LINER FREDERICK VIII ANCHORS AT HALIFAX

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tral in the vicinity of the anchorage during the period the liner is in port for examination by the British naval authorities.

All arrangements for protecting the ambassador and his party and for expediting the customary examination of the steamer's cargo were taken over by British naval authorities. The captain of a British warship which recently arrived in these waters outlined to the Canadian customs and immigration officials the nature of their duties, and arrangements were completed tonight to have them go aboard tomorrow morning.

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MAY REVIEW CUBAN ELECTION RETURNS

State Department Considering Suggestion of Appointment of American Commission

U. S. GUNBOAT AT SANTIAGO

Will Protect American Interests There, While the American Repair Ship Dixie Does Similar Duty at Havana

Washington, Feb. 16.—A suggestion that an American commission review the returns from Cuba's presidential election, over which an armed revolution has developed, is under consideration at the State Department as one possible solution of the situation. Although reports received here do not indicate that the revolting liberals have made much headway, the United States government is deeply concerned lest the movement assume a more definite form with the voting February 20 in Oriente province where the deciding votes in the presidential contest may be cast.

The suggestion grew out of a declaration by Orestes Ferrera and Raimundo Cabrera, liberal representatives in New York, that their party would regard such a step with satisfaction and would abide by the result. It was said there had been no indication that the conservative party might not resent that form of assistance.

The Petrel, a small American gunboat, entered the harbor at Santiago today and is closely watching developments there, while the repair ship Dixie does similar duty at Havana. Their commanders have discretionary authority to take any steps necessary to protect American interests. The rebels are in possession of Santiago and have closed the port to all except foreign vessels. Camaguey and several smaller towns also are in the hands of the rebels, but by far the greater part of the island is controled by the government forces, and American Minister Gonzales' reports indicate that they appear in no danger of losing that control immediately.

Until there is evidence that the liberals have organized a more formidable revolt than now is apparent it is indicated that the administration will take no steps looking to armed intervention.

Officials here have no knowledge of any landing by American naval forces at Santiago as reported in a newspaper story published in Havana. It was said at the Navy Department that the story seemed unlikely, although the Petrel's commander has discretionary authority to take any steps necessary to protect American interests.

QUIET PREVAILS IN FOUR OF THE CUBAN PROVINCES

Havana, Feb. 16.—Official announcement was made tonight that quiet prevails in the provinces of Havana, Pinar Del Rio, Matanzas and Santa Clara and that a large force of troops is in the province of Camaguey operating against the insurgents. Aurelio Hevia, secretary of government, departed today for Santa Clara province where he will direct all military operations. The school ship Patria sailed today with 500 men on board.

William E. Gonzales, the American minister, today issued a note in answer to many petitions for him to urge clemency for military prisoners who were likely to be shot. The note assured the petitioners that the minister knew it was the intention of the government to "follow the usual legal course."

A sensational report was in circulation today that American marines had been landed at Santiago De Cuba. This was denied.

RUTHLESS SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN MUST SOON BE MET WITH FORCE

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ing the British Isles. A second port for the examination of southern commerce may be established later at the Bahamas, or Bermuda.

American exporters will still be offorded the opportunity of securing "letters of assurance" from the British embassy here that their goods are not consigned directly or indirectly to England's enemies. The British blockade and the "rationing" of Holland and Scandinavia will continue as before, and a new list of articles which cannot be imported into England will be published shortly.

The falling off in the rate of daily destruction by submarines to a few thousand tons has made a great impression here, and given rise to speculation as to whether the return of submarine fleets to base or the success of British precautions is chiefly responsible.

Awaiting Word From Penfield.

Dispatches from Ambassador Penfield at Vienna are awaited with particular interest because of press reports saying the ambassador had "broken off negotiations" with the Austrian foreign office and Americans had been ordered out of the country. There has been no official confirmation of either of these reports. So far as the State Department knows, the ambassador still is presenting the views of the American government in regard to Germany's submarine policy, to which Austria has adhered, although a final report from him showing a break with Austria to be inevitable is expected at any time.

M'CORKLE LEADS FOR SHORT TERM IN S. C. FIFTH DISTRICT

Chester Man, Who is Blind, Probably to Succeed the Late D. E. Finley

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 16.—Paul G. McCorkle, of Chester, who is blind, will probably represent the Fifth South Carolina district in Congress from February 21, when the election will be held, until March 4, following.

Early returns from the Democratic primary today gave McCorkle 4,583 votes for the short term nomination, and his nearest opponent 419. The election will be to name a successor for the late D. E. Finley.

WOULD HELP ENFORCE PROHIBITION STATUTES

Postoffice Bill, With Amendments, Passed by Senate.

Would Prohibit Liquor Shipments to "Dry" States and Bar From Mails Liquor "Ads" in States Where Prohibitory Laws Exist.

Washington, Feb. 16.—With its added drastic prohibition legislative provisions, the annual postoffice appropriation bill carrying $332,000,000 was passed by the Senate today after a week of vigorous debate. It was sent back to the House, which will ask for a conference on the amendments.

The Senate wrote into the bill a provision making it a criminal offense to ship liquor into states which prohibit its manufacture and sale, thus nullifying the statutes of certain prohibition states permitting the importation of limited quantities of liquor for personal consumption.

Another provision would bar from the mails letters, postal cards, circulars, newspapers and other publications containing liquor advertising in states having laws against such advertising; violation to be punishable by a fine not to exceed $1,000 or imprisonment not to exceed six months for the first offense or more than one year for the second offense.

ANOTHER MINORITY REPORT ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

Washington, Feb. 16.—Another minority report from the House judiciary committee on the proposed constitutional amendment for Nation-wide prohibition was filed today by Representative Walsh, of Massachusetts, who protested against what he termed an effort to convert the constitution into a mere criminal statute. Mr. Walsh said it was possible to secure Nation-wide prohibition through legislative enactment and Federal and state enforcement.

NATION'S FINANCES ARE MOBILIZED FOR ANY CRISIS.

Reserve Board Believes That Any Emergency Can be Met.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The Nation's finances are mobilized to meet any situation likely to be presented in the near future, in the opinion of the Federal Reserve Board, whose precautionary measures, undertaken upon the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany, are believed to cover every contingency that may arise.

There are at present on deposit with Federal Reserve agents in the various reserve districts approximately $300,000,000 in cash and the huge reserve of $600,000,000 is available at Washington wherever needed. As a precautionary measure, the board has requested the bureau of engraving and printing to engrave a large additional number of reserve notes which will be ready for use in case of emergency.

An estimate by George M. Reynolds, of Chicago, that the banks of the country are at present able to withstand a financial strain involving eight times the sum involved in the panic of 1907 is believed by officials to be a correct appraisal of the strength of the Federal reserve system.

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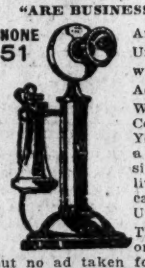

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FOR RENT—IN COUNTRY, NEAR SUNset Park, five blocks of street car, five room bungalow. Garden space and fire wood free. Also cow for sale. G. C. Bordeaux. fe 17-1t

WANTED AT ONCE—COMPETENT male stenographer, equipped to do detail office work. Chamber of Commerce, Greensboro, N. C. fe 17-1t

GOOD OYSTERS—MOST WHOLESOME food. Good oysters are cheap, in comparison with other food stuffs at present. Why not call phone No. 72 for some of the very best. All kinds of fresh meats; nice beef roasts, 18 cents pound. Phone No. 72, Batson's Meat Market. fe 17-1t

WANTED— BY REFINED YOUNG man, room and board, near business section of city. Private family preferred. State price and location. Box 723, City. fe 17-1t*

DRESSED CHICKENS—DRESSED TO your order, with giblets; very best to be found in the city. Oysters, full supply very best selected garden. Don't forget, if you want the best, see me. Phone No. 72, Batson's Meat Market, 115 Market street. fe 17-1t

OPPORTUNITY TIME — WE HAVE three floors of furniture, some slightly damaged, which are bargains for you; fine to wedge in in odd places; also a good line of new goods. We are the place you have been looking for. See us at 19, 21, 23 South Front St. Sterling Furniture Co. 'Phone 60. E. H. Sneed, Mgr. ja17-tf

OLD NEWSPAPERS—SUITABLE FOR wrapping or placing under carpets; limited number for sale at 20 cents per hundred while they last, at The Star office. de 14-tf

FANCY DRESSED CHICKENS WITH giblets; fresh lot country butter, very best yet, 35c pound; backbones and spare ribs; very best of beef, veal, pork and lamb; very best New River oysters of season. Phone us or come and see. Batson's Meat Market, 115 Market street. Phone 72. fe 7-tf

WANTED—TO BUY GUM, ASH, POPlar and pine logs; delivered by rail or water. Angola Mill, Wilmington, N. C. J. N. Bryant. ja 23-tf

SAW MILLS, ATTENTION!—WE WILL buy slab wood, saw dust, shavings and pine wood. Quote price and quantity, F. O. B. Wilmington. Independent Ice Company. de29-tf

SPECIAL FOR FRIDAY AND SATURday only. Canned corn, 12c.; canned string beans, 12c.; early June peas, 12c.; Tuna fish, 10c.; Shredded Tuna fish, 5c.; Kellogg's Krumbles, 9c.; fresh Halibut and Smelts today and a full line of groceries at very reasonable prices. May's Delicatessen; 'Phone 1322. fe16-2t

WANTED—PINE TAR. WILMINGTON market now twelve cents per gallon and likely to remain firm. Consign shipments to Frank A. Thompson, Wilmington, N. C. ja 23-tf

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IF IT'S SATISFACTION YOU WANT, see us. General commercial printing, multigraph fac-simile typewriting circulars; expert typewriting; notaries public. Letterheads a specialty. Best quality. Prices reasonable. Harriss Typewriting & Adv. Co. ja21-tf

FOR SALE — INDEPENDENT ICE CO., 22 shares capital stock, $75.00-$70.00; now $65.00 per share. Par value, $100. Investigate and see how well it is officered and you will buy. It is a good bargain. Address "W," care Star. fe13-7t

AUTO OWNERS—WHEN COLD WEAther gets your radiator, don't forget that Klander, 8 South Second street, is the man who can give you the best job and the most satisfaction. Out-of-town shipments given prompt attention and fairest treatment. fe 4-tf

WANTED — AT ONCE, AN A-1 SAWmill blacksmith. References required. Apply Whiteville Lumber Co., Whiteville, N. C. fe15-10t

DOGS BOARDED AND CARED FOR at reasonable rates. Also a few good hunting dogs for sale at bargain prices, including puppies. Canine Paradise. E. A. Linville, Mgr., Colfax, N. C. fe15-9t*

"GASTINE" IS WHAT THE MOTORIST wants, eliminates carbon, gives 35 per cent more mileage, money back guarantee. Agents and dealers wanted. Write, Gastine Sales Co., 813 S. Sharf St., Baltimore, Md. ja 31-21t*

FOR SALE — A WELL BUILT HOME in the town of Faison, N. C.; contains eight large rooms, two small rooms, also bath room and kitchen. Acetylene lights, furnace, barn and couple out houses. Lot about 300 feet by 220. Address C. E. Weatherby, Faison, N. C. fe13-7t*

FOR RENT — BEST LOCATED LARGE new brick garage in Hamlet, N. C. Address Vance Skipper, Lumberton, N. C. fe13-7t*

FORD OWNERS — MAKE A SIXTYinch tread Ford out of a fifty-six inch tread for $15.00. Write us. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., Wilmington, N. C. fe13-7t

SPRINGS — FRONT SPRINGS FOR Ford cars, $8.00. Genuine seven leaf bushed spring. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., Wilmington, N. C. fe13-10t

WANTED — RED CEDAR TIMBER — Reliable company wants red cedar timber in large or small tracts. What have you to offer? Send description. Address "Red Cedar," care Star. fe13-10t

WANTED — SALESMAN OR BROKER with good reputation and acquaintance among the grocery, drug and confectionery trade in city and surrounding towns, to represent a progressive importer, packer and distributor of food products. Address Evan W. Hook & Co., Inc., Cheapside, Baltimore, Md. fe12-7t

WANTED—OLD FALSE TEETH. DON'T matter if broken. I pay $1.00 to $5.00 per set. Mail to L. Mazer, 2007 South Fifth street, Philadelphia, Pa. Will send cash by return mail. fe 11-21t*

FOR SALE—ONE FIVE PASSENGER Maxwell, 1915 model, 35 horsepower, in first class condition. A bargain. Box No. 223, Goldsboro, N. C. fe 11-7t*

WANTED—A GOOD MAN WITH SOME knowledge of Railroad Agency work preferred; satisfatory salary and good chance for promotion to right party. Address P. O. Box 195, City. fe16-3t

HORSE FOR SALE — EXCELLENT driving and riding horse, for which I have no use. Will sell for $100.00. Address Box 167, Burgaw, N. C. fe16-7t*

WANTED — YOU TO KNOW THAT the Old Indian Liver and Kidney Tonic is the best. Green's Drug Store, Payne Drug Co. and Brooklyn Grocery Co. fe16-13t

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